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To all our Readers A Prosperous New Year.



GOOD YEAR CLOSES; BETTER ONE DAWNS

A Glance at the Achievements of the Past Twelve Months and a Survey of What the Future Promises

When it is stated that it is the universal opinion that never in the history of Victoria has an old year closed with more abundant reasons for satisfaction for the achievements of the past twelve months, nor a new year opened more full of promise for the future, there will be no disposition on the part of any person residing in the capital city of British Columbia to say that the truth has not been adhered to strictly. Nineteen hundred and nine will go down in history as in many respects a remarkable year for Victoria. It witnessed the thronging of the city with visitors from all over the globe attracted to this section of the Northwest by the great exposition at Seattle. It ushered in an era of growth and expansion quite unprecedented in the increase in the population, the large number of new homes erected, the huge expenditures on works of local improvement, all testifying to that fact. It witnessed the embarkation by the B. C. Electric Railway Company on a policy of business expansion which will of sheer necessity prove of incalculable benefit to the city. It marked the determination of one of the great transcontinental railway companies to lay a line to the west coast, a terminal point of a system which has done much for the development of Western Canada. It saw the federal government embark upon a policy for the creation of the nucleus of a Canadian navy, carrying with it



DETAILS OF TARIFF REFORM DEMANDED

Liberals Belittle Chamberlain's Effort to Bring Colonial Aspect of Question to Fore--Balfour Re-enters Election Fight.

(Special to the Times.)
London, Dec. 31.—No single issue can be said to dominate the campaign as yet. Mr. Chamberlain's manifesto is striking because it brushes aside the constitutional question as non-existent and concentrates the issues on tariff reform. Herein it is recognized that Mr. Chamberlain displays his old-time capacity for going to the root of things. A year back tariff reform would have been the great issue, and the result, judging by all signs available, would not have been doubtful. But astute ministers produced the budget and scotched the fiscal change for the time being. It now remains for the Unionists to follow the great fiscal reform leader and endeavor again to make every other issue of secondary importance.
Liberals laugh at Mr. Chamberlain's attempt to revive the colonial aspect of tariff reform. They maintain that what was started as a great imperial movement has become purely a domestic campaign in favor of protection and demand particulars of the tariff scheme which is to prevent the Dukes from paying out. They also profess to be grateful to those peers who in defending the rejection of the budget are helping to keep the constitutional issues to the fore, and, lastly, declare that the government has postponed polling two days to allow of at least one more speech from Lord Curzon.
Mr. Balfour on Tariff Reform.
Mr. Balfour, speaking at Haddington, said the Unionist party were confident in their cause. It represented the maintenance of institutions which must be preserved and stood for security of enterprise and maintenance of the fleet. While refusing to draw the colonies closer the government has reintroduced Home Rule, which would be utterly subversive to Great Britain's position among the nations of the world.
The Unionists, he said, also stood for fiscal reform. He would not say the whole difficulty of unemployment would be solved by tariff reform, but it would diminish the really serious part, unemployment of competent workmen.
Mr. Balfour paid an eloquent tribute to Earl Percy, by whose untimely death, he said, "not only the Unionist party but the nation sustained a great loss, for a time he was, an irreplaceable loss." The other Conservative speakers are lamenting Earl Percy's death as a serious blow to the cause, especially in the present campaign. Earl Percy, they declare, was one of the most promising and brilliant men on the Unionist side. The sudden demise of Earl Percy leaves the Conservatives without a candidate for South Kensington. His election address was in the hands of a printer, and the Earl had planned to open the campaign in his district next week.
Mr. Wyndham claimed that London, the home counties and the Midlands were for tariff reform, and it depended
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TURKISH OFFICIAL IS ASSASSINATED
Trouble of Granting of Franchise Cause of Murder.
(Times Leased Wire.)
Constantinople, Dec. 31.—News was received here to-day of the assassination on Tuesday of Hassan Tahim Pasha, governor-general of the Yemen Vilayet, while en route from Sana to the Red Sea.
Hassan recently was charged by the Young Turks as being responsible for granting valuable concessions and franchises to foreigners without sufficient return to Turkey.
(The assassination is directly attributed to this squabble. Details of the crime have not been received.)

KING ALBERT WILL INTRODUCE REFORMS
Civil and Military Staffs of Late Ruler of Belgium Have Resigned.
(Times Leased Wire.)
Brussels, Dec. 31.—An authoritative but unofficial announcement was made here to-day to the effect that King Albert had accepted the resignation of the entire civil and military staffs of the late King Leopold, including Baron Wauls, governor-general of the Belgian Congo. This action is accepted as a preliminary step, to stamping out the old regime in the Congo and the ending of reported abuses there.

CENTRAL MEETING TO DISCUSS AFFAIRS
Alderman Henderson Has Called One for Tuesday Night.
Alderman Henderson's committee had a very largely attended and enthusiastic meeting last night, at which it was decided to open the campaign with a great public meeting on Tuesday, January 4th, in the A. O. U. W. hall, and from then on to hold meetings in different parts of the city until election day, this being the first meeting centrally called.
Ald. Henderson and his supporters expect a packed house and every issue of public interest will be explained by Mr. Henderson, who holds certain decided views on very important matters. Seats will be reserved for ladies.

BANKS TELL OF PROSPERITY

CLEARINGS ARE GROWING
BY LEAPS AND BOUNDS

Record for Twelve Months
Past by Local Financial
Houses.

That the year just closed has been a phenomenal one in respect to the growth and expansion of Victoria is demonstrated most emphatically and conclusively by the returns issued by the Victoria clearing house. These show that the total bank clearings for 1909 exceed by about fifteen million dollars the records for the past two years. Since March last there have been progressive increases each month, save that April was slightly ahead of March. December leaps a long way ahead of the preceding months of the year with the remarkably high total of \$5,099,579.

The aggregate clearings for the year 1908 was \$35,256,013; for the month of December last year, \$4,929,671. For the month of December, 1907, the figures were \$4,261,242; for the year 1907, \$39,242.

The exceptionally high record of the closing month of the old year is attributable, no doubt, to the many real estate transactions which have been put through the market, and as the bank clearings are an excellent barometer recording the rise and fall of interest amongst real estate speculators, it is easy to determine by a glance at the figures for each month the date when the miniature boom now prevailing set in. The bank clearings by the month for the year just closed are as follows:

January	\$4,235,476
February	4,321,576
March	4,940,269
April	5,229,574
May	5,467,536
June	6,052,175
July	5,718,680
August	5,864,553
September	5,872,367
October	7,290,485
November	7,290,485
Total	\$70,695,882

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THE TIMES NEW BUILDING
Contracts were signed to-day for the erection of a fine new home for the Times on the site purchased some years ago by Hon. Mr. Templeman for that purpose, on the corner of Broad and Fort streets.
The contractors are Messrs. Adkinson & Dill, and the contract price about \$70,000. E. S. Griffith is the architect.
The new building when completed will be one of the handsomest newspaper homes in Canada, and will be a distinct addition to the striking business blocks of the city. It will be five stories in height, and will in addition have a spacious basement.
The construction will be of reinforced concrete, faced with pressed brick, the lower stories being faced with sandstone and granite.
Being primarily designed as a home for the Times, three and a half floors will be devoted to the newspaper. The whole basement will be employed as a press room, boiler room, mailing room and storehouse.
The Broad and Fort corner will be used as the business offices of the Times, there being also on this floor accommodation for two additional offices, facing on Fort street.
The first and second floors will be devoted to office purposes, being built on suite, and fitted up in most modern fashion. The third floor will be used as the editorial and reportorial department, and the top floor for the composing room and stereotyping departments.
There will be about thirty upstairs offices to rent, as well as two on the ground floor.
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A. J. MORLEY IS NOW IN FIGHT

ANNOUNCES INTENTION
TO RUN FOR MAYOR

Four Candidates Are Now in
Field for Coming
Contest.

A. J. Morley has at last announced his intention of being a candidate for mayor this year. Seen last evening, he announced that he would again enter the contest.
The advent of Mr. Morley has not been unexpected. It has in fact, been known for the past few days, and was announced in the Times that the ex-mayor would assuredly be in the fight. He has now made public his intention of running, and is to be reckoned with in the contest. The other three candidates, Ald. Turner, W. C. Oliver and Ald. Henderson, all intend to remain in the field.

MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP.
Favored by Ratepayers of San Francisco—Street Railway Extension.
San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 31.—By a margin of 2,465 votes over the necessary two-thirds majority, the voters of San Francisco declared yesterday for the municipal ownership and operation of the city street railway and its extension on the east to the ferry building, and on the west to the ocean shore. This proposal has been rejected three times during the last five years. The supervisors are now authorized to bond the city to the extent of \$2,620,000.

TORONTO BANK CLEARINGS.
(Special to the Times.)
Toronto, Dec. 31.—Bank clearings for the week were \$28,182,531 against \$23,159,500 for the same week last year.

FROZEN TO DEATH IN CABIN.
(Special to the Times.)
Hamilton, Dec. 31.—Thomas Traynor, an elderly man who lived alone in a shack on the mountain top, was frozen to death yesterday.

QUEBEC BRIDGE.
(Special to the Times.)
Ottawa, Dec. 31.—Nine big bridge-building firms are out after the Quebec bridge contract and will put in tenders.

YEAR CLOSES WITH REALTY STRONG

DEMAND MORE
ACTIVE THAN EVER

Large Sales Made Yesterday of
Inside Property.

The last of the year is finishing strong in a realty sense, yesterday having seen an extremely busy one with the dealers. The demand for inside business property is more insistent than ever, and wherever an available piece can be obtained close in, the competition for it is keen.
The premier transaction yesterday was the purchase of one of the choicest pieces on the inside. What is known as the Copper property, on the south-west corner of Beatty and Hastings, was acquired by a local syndicate for \$100,000. It is a part of the estate of the late Jesse Cowper, and was acquired by him from the Hudson's Bay Company in the early sixties. It has a frontage of over sixty feet on Port, and has a depth of 120 feet, running back to the Deirdre hotel. Situated on a street which draws one of the most desirable trades of the city, and lying between the site of the new Times building and D. E. Campbell's fine corner on Fort and Douglas, it forms a most desirable property. It is situated almost opposite the new Pemberton skyscraper, and in the heart of an office and retail district. The deal was negotiated by Cross & Co., the vendors being Collector Newbury and Miss Harriet Cowper, trustees of the estate.
Hesterman & Co. were responsible for another large turnover. Through their agency the old Hesterman home at the Fountain, comprising a large house and about an acre of land, was sold for \$25,000. Surrounding it in the form of an L is another piece of property which was acquired at the same time for the sum of \$25,000.

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C. & B. EGGO—Dried fresh eggs, can be used for the same purpose as fresh eggs. Per tin .45c
NICE NAVEL ORANGES, per dozen .25c
GOOD COOKING APPLES, 5 pounds for .25c
NORTHERN SRY APPLES, 4 lbs. for .25c
ANTI-COMBINE LAUNDRY SOAP, 7 full weight bars. .25c
SUPERFINE TOILET SOAP, 9 cakes for .25c
PURE WHITE CASTILE SOAP, long bar .25c
PEARLINE, 2 packets for .25c
COLMAN'S MUSTARD, 1/2-lb. tin for .25c
PURE BLACK PEPPER, per pound .25c
RICE, SAGO OR TAPIOCA, 4 pounds for .50c
Or 9 pounds for .15c
ROWAT'S ENGLISH KIDNEY, quart bottle .15c
GILLARD'S PICKLES AND RELISH, 3 jars for \$1.00
TRAVELER'S ENGLISH PICKLES, 18-oz. bottle .15c
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The Princess Beatrice, Capt. Locke, arrived in port from Northern British Columbia ports via Vancouver this morning, arriving late on schedule time through being delayed by fog. The Beatrice landed a small cargo at Vancouver, and also a small cargo of salmon at Victoria. She carried few passengers.

The Sister Superior and Sisters in charge of St. Joseph's hospital, en-braze with much pleasure the present most favorable opportunity of expressing their heartfelt thanks and ap-

preciation of favors received during the year 1909. To the medical staff in particular do they acknowledge indebtedness for prompt and efficient services. To those who so generously furnished rooms, thus helping the Sisters to defray the heavy debt incurred by the building of the new wing, as also to those who by any donation, great or small, contributed to the Christmas cheer, Sister Superior extends gratitude. May a year of both-tious blessings be the portion of all friends, well-wishers, and benefactors of St. Joseph's hospital.

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REVOLUTIONISTS ARE MOVING ON CAPITAL

Estrada Declines to Negotiate With Madriz and Orders Advance of Army.

(Times Leased Wire.)
New Orleans, La., Dec. 31.—A cablegram from Bluefields says that an open rupture in the peace negotiations has occurred, and that Provisional President Estrada has announced that he will continue the revolution. Revolutionary troops are now being rushed toward Managua.

"I have determined to have nothing to do with the Madriz government and we will continue fighting."

The above was the statement made to-day by Provisional President Estrada concerning the peace conference scheduled for to-morrow.

Immediately after making this statement, Estrada ordered his generals to advance on Managua. Estrada is said to be greatly encouraged by the loyalty of his countrymen and the friendly attitude of the United States. The provisional president believes that the fighting of the past two months will prove absolutely useless if he should cease hostilities now. He declares that the old regime still is in power in Nicaragua and that the abdication of Zelaya means nothing.

OTTAWA PHYSICIAN DEAD.

(Special to the Times.)
Ottawa, Dec. 31.—Dr. W. C. Beaman, one of the leading physicians of Ottawa, died rather unexpectedly yesterday. He had been ill, but trips abroad it was thought had restored his health.

DEATH OF REV. DR. CURRIE.

(Special to the Times.)
Halifax, Dec. 31.—The death occurred yesterday of Rev. Dr. John Currie, professor of Hebrew in Pine College, the Presbyterian theological institution in this city. He was born in Tatamagouche, N. S., in 1823.

TWO FLY IN BI-PLANE.

Pau, France, Dec. 31.—Paul Tissandier to-day flew over this city for half an hour in a Wright bi-plane. He was accompanied by Count Malinski as a passenger.

The funeral of Richard West will take place on Monday at 2 p.m. from Hanna's undertaking parlors. The funeral will be under the charge of the Masonic order and Rev. Mr. Colman, of Cedar Hill, will officiate.

All city schools will be re-opened on Monday, and school children will study once again. It is expected that a large increase in the number of pupils will be recorded.

Work has been commenced on the laying of the brick pavement on Humboldt street. Considerable of the cement foundation has been laid and this morning workmen were engaged in laying the blocks.

A great demand has been made for the bulletins issued by the Provincial Department of Agriculture on the subjects, "Poultry Raising for Pleasure and Profit" and "Farmers' Pests and Remedies."

Chief Langley, while he has no disposition to interfere unduly with the merry makers who will to-night celebrate the passing of the Old Year and the advent of the New, has made it known that no large fire crackers are to be exploded. Those who like to take their fun out of fire-crackers will have to confine themselves to the diminutive variety.

Chief Davis has been making another inspection of Chinatown with the result that the Celestials have been instructed to obey strictly the regulations for the prevention of fire. With the advent of the cold weather dozens of the quarter could not resist the temptation to stick stove pipes through wooden partitions, but the chief has put a stop to this practice.

TWELVE PERSONS REPORTED KILLED

SCORE OF OTHERS SUSTAIN INJURIES

Bodies of Five of Victims Taken From Wreckage of Train.

(Times Leased Wire.)
Trenton, Mo., Dec. 31.—Twelve persons are reported to have been killed and a score of others injured to-day when the fast California Special left the rails two and a half miles north of this city and toppled over on its side.

The bodies of five persons already have been removed from the wreckage. The known dead are: Fireman O. P. Liminger, scalded to death; four unidentified passengers, two men and two women.

Among the injured are the following: William Flynn, Kansas City, shoulder broken; Engineer W. J. Millington, of Trenton, badly scalded; recover; J. C. Childers, of Anderson, Ind., severely bruised; C. E. Spencer, of Dallas, back sprained; Steven Howard, of Alabama, back badly sprained and leg fractured; J. Sorning, of Davenport, Iowa, leg broken; Mrs. Nancy Hammett, of Letts, Iowa, severely injured; David Siegel, of Cleveland, O., suffering from internal injuries; probably fatally hurt; Julius Middleman, Boston, badly bruised.

The total death list will not be known probably until the wreck has been cleared, as a number of persons are still buried beneath the debris.

To add to the horror of the wreck, the cars caught fire immediately following the accident.

Members of a wrecking crew rushed to the scene of the accident when the first power of the wreck was received here, and have attacked the wrecked sleepers with axes in the hope of releasing imprisoned passengers. A number of the injured have been rushed to a local hospital on a special train.

Brokers Killed in Wreck.

New York, Dec. 31.—Word was received at the office of Spencer Trask & Co. this morning, to the effect that Spencer Trask had been killed in a wreck at Trenton, N. J., on the New York Central railway, when a freight train rammed the Montreal Express.

Trask, who occupied a room in a rear sleeper, was instantly killed when the heavy freight ploughed through the car.

Officials are inclined to blame the members of the freight crew for the accident. The express was stopped by a black signal at Croton, which is not a regular stopping place. The freight was closely following and evidently failing to see the signal, did not stop, but crashed into the rear Pullman.

Trask, who is a wealthy banker, was returning to New York from his country place near Saratoga. Only the two rear cars of the express were damaged.

Two negro porters, who were injured in the wreck, will recover. Engineer Flannigan and the fireman of the freight train have been arrested pending an investigation.

Brakeman Ritter, of the Express train, who was sent back to flag the freight, will be arrested as soon as the train arrives in New York, and held until it can be learned whether he obeyed orders.

Officials who tested the block signals have announced that they worked perfectly.

MAN WHO MURDERED MRS. GUINNESS IS DEAD

Lamphere, Who Was Employed on "Murder Farm," Dies in Prison.

(Times Leased Wire.)
Laporte, Ind., Dec. 31.—Ladraube Lamphere, convicted slayer of Mrs. Belle Guinness, of "murder farm" fame, and her children, died last night of tuberculosis in the Michigan city penitentiary, where he was serving an indeterminate term for arson.

Lamphere on April 9th, 1908, set fire to the Guinness home near Laporte, and incinerated the family. He had been employed by Mrs. Guinness as a workman on her farm. Following the fire bodies of several persons were unearthed in the farm yard.

It was shown that Lamphere was cognizant of some of the Guinness' crimes, and that he was angry with her.

ATTACKED BY BURGLAR.
Negro Attacks Woman, Leaving Her Bound and Gagged in Her Room.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 31.—The entire police force is searching to-day for a negro burglar who at midnight entered the room of Mrs. Beattie Huntress, on Turk street, and finding no money in the room, brutally attacked the woman.

After binding and gagging her and leaving her half dead, the burglar escaped. She was found unconscious in her room this morning by her landlady. Mrs. Huntress was rushed to a hospital, where her condition is said to be critical.

The woman separated from her husband some time ago and since then has been working as a book-keeper.

WIRELESS ELECTRIC LIGHT.

New York, Dec. 31.—Nicola Tesla, the inventor, declares wireless electric light, supplied by currents sent from the producing plant over ether waves, will supplant all present lighting methods within 20 years.

ALLEGED OPIUM SMUGGLER ARRESTED

Man Captured in Vancouver is Remanded for Week by Magistrate.

(Times Leased Wire.)
Vancouver, Dec. 31.—Through his linguistic capabilities, Detective Welch, accompanied by Detective Perry, was able to round up a band of alleged opium smugglers in this city late yesterday afternoon, and this morning Thomas Hernandez was arraigned in the police court charged with selling opium. He is alleged to be one of a gang which has been taking the drug across the boundary.

The two detectives visited 139 Pender street east, where they found four Spaniards in a room. These Spaniards were suspected of having opium in their possession, and a search of the premises justified the suspicion. No less than seven tins of the drug were found concealed about the room, which is supposed to have been smuggled off one of the Empress liners.

Having occasion to visit East Pender street yesterday, Detective Welch overheard four Spaniards talking in their native tongue, and from the conversation he gathered enough information to arouse his suspicions. Detective Welch can speak the language fluently.

After making a search of the premises the two detectives awaited the arrival of Hernandez, whom the Spaniards were accusing to themselves of being the guilty party. When he made his appearance he was arrested and taken to the police station. From the conversation it was learned that Hernandez was to be sold by all was that Hernandez smuggled the tins of the opium in a pair of long gun boots.

Hernandez was remanded in court this morning, and will come up for a hearing the first of the week.

HELD FOR RANSOM.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 31.—Fred Kellner, father of Anna Kellner, to-day admitted that he had received letters from the kidnappers demanding a heavy ransom. He stated that if the writers would produce evidence to show that they had his daughter in their possession, then he was ready to open negotiations with them for her return. He also said that he had received two letters that looked genuine. One letter is known to have come from an Ohio town, while the date of the second letter was not revealed.

PERSONAL.

Miss Olive Walker, Cedar Cottage, Sanilichon, leaves this evening for a three months' visit to her aunt, Mrs. A. Richards, San Francisco, Cal.

Mrs. Patterson will not be at home to callers at Government House until the first Thursday in February next.

The city of London corporation, consisting of the Lord Mayor, other aldermen and 28 common councillors.

BORN.

ANDREWS—On the 26th inst., at 1024 Hillside avenue, the wife of J. E. Andrews, of a daughter.

MARRIED.

LOWDER—MARDEN—At Seattle, Wash., on Dec. 27th, Sarah Elizabeth Lowder, eldest daughter of J. E. Lowder, of Monterey County, California, to Joseph Henry Marden, son of the late Joseph Marden, of Leeds, England.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.
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FURNISHED ROOMS, electric light and bath. 22 Broughton, three minutes from Post Office. 431

WANTED—Boy to drive delivery wagon. Fairview Esquimalt Greenhouses, Ltd. 431

GILT EDGE INVESTMENT, paying 10 per cent, five roomed cottage, modern, on corner lot 60x125, with nice lawn, ornamental trees, good style at rear, close to two cars, in James Bay; \$2,000. Terms. Apply Tel. 1152. 431

WANTED—A young nurse girl. Mrs. Fitzpatrick, 1010 Yates street. 431

WOMAN wants house work, or washing, by the day. James Bay preferred. Apply Box 11, Times Office. 431

WE HAVE A FEW LOTS we can sell at \$20 per lot, on terms. Will be worth double in six months. Inquire Ryan & Lang, 107 Government street. 431

"BAY" YOU WANT A NICE HOME? We have three new California bungalows, 3 rooms, bath, pantry, toilet, lawn, everything superb and up to Dec. 31st, 1909. For a New Year special we will sell these for \$1,000 each; small cash payment and balance to suit purchaser. These are a few yards off Oak Bay Ave. Wescott & Lettis. 431

WE WISH ALL A "Happy New Year." Wescott & Lettis, Moody Block, Yates street. 431

HORSE WANTED, 1,000 to 1,200 pounds; mare preferred. State price, etc., to Box 2, this office. 431

TO LET—5 housekeeping rooms, with use of gas stove. Apply 540 Ross street. 431

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ONE AND ALL. Remember, that during the coming year I will sell 10 Victoria postal cards for 5c, that is half the price all stores charge; all Indian curios and handicrafts at very low prices; antique brass and copper. These are a few yards off Oak Bay Ave. Wescott & Lettis. 431

WANTED—A girl for mother's help. 678 Bay street. 431

10 ACRES—Close to tram, at \$50 per acre; it's fine land and a snap. Ryan & Lang, 107 Government street. 431

SAANICH MUNICIPALITY
The Court of Revision of the Voters' List of the above Municipality will be held on Monday, the 3rd day of January next, at 11 o'clock a.m., at the Municipal Office, Grandfountain for the purpose of correcting and adjusting the said list. J. R. CARMICHAEL, C. M. C. Dec. 30th, 1909. 431

GREETING!

May Christmas joys belong to thee. To thee and thine; May this New Year a glad one be; From sorrow may it e'er be free; Our wish—"For Auld Lang Syne."

THE "BON AMI"

DRY GOODS STORE,
724 YATES ST.
SHELTON & SON, Proprietors.

SCOTSMEN

As a rule celebrate the New Year
But no Scotsmen should celebrate without a box of the
GENUINE SCOTCH SHORTEAD
Tee, 50c. AND 25c. PER BOX.
Neatly decorated. Made only at the
Central Bakery
640 YATES ST.

JANUARY SALE

All prices reduced! All prices reduced! everything you buy.

COMMENCES MONDAY, JANUARY 3rd, AT 8:30 O'CLOCK.

VALUES EXTRAORDINARY IN STAPLES.

It will pay many housekeepers to lay in a supply of staples at this sale, as all manufacturers have advanced their prices recently. Our sale prices are in many instances less than the mill prices as quoted to-day.

FLANNELETTE SHEETS
Fine quality Flannelette Sheets at "Bain" Prices.
Size 14-4, for double beds, in grey, per pair .15c.
Size 16-4, for double beds, in grey, per pair .15c.
In white, per pair .15c.
ENGLISH HONEYCOMB QUILTS.
Double bed size, fringed, white, red and blue Honeycomb Quilts. Regular price \$1.25 and \$1.35. January sale price .95c.

A NOTEWORTHY BARGAIN IN TOWELLING.
One hundred yards of Turkish Roller Towelling, English make. January sale price, per yard .15c.
Generous savings on Wool Blankets and Bed Comforters. Call and see them. The prices will interest you.

LADIES' AND MISSES' WINTER JACKETS GREATLY REDUCED.
We quote one special, but there are many other bargains to be had in our Coat Department.

Ladies' Tweed Coats, some with the new Napoleon Collars and high fitting waists, others with velvet-trimmed collars and semi-fitting styles. All are splendidly tailored and the fit of every coat is guaranteed. Regular prices \$25, \$30, \$35, \$40, \$45, \$50, \$55, \$60, \$65, \$70, \$75, \$80, \$85, \$90, \$95, \$100. January sale price .75c to \$1.50.

JANUARY WHITEWEAR SALE.
Of Ladies' and Children's Embroidered and Lace Trimmed Underskirts, Nightgowns, "Leona" one-piece garments, Drawers and Corset Covers at prices which will make a visit to this store worth while.

FLANNELETTE BARGAINS.
Three hundred yards only of 25 inches wide English Striped Flannelette, per yard .15c.
12 yards for \$1.00.
Sorting out of Odd Lines and Short Ends of Lace at Half Price and Less.

Fifty pieces of wide and narrow Valence, Trench and Cluny Laces. Regular 75c, 50c, 25c and 10c. Closing out price, per yard .15c.

COMMENCE THE NEW YEAR RIGHT. TURN OVER A NEW LEAF. IF YOU ARE NOT ALREADY ONE OF OUR CUSTOMERS COMMENCE NOW. YOU NEVER HAD A BETTER CHANCE TO SAVE MONEY.

J. E. Andrews
Manager

THEATRE UP TO THE PEOPLE

FREE SITE BY-LAW
PASSES THE COUNCIL

Judgment of Ratepayers to Be
Taken on Election
Day.

The by-law empowering the corporation to grant to a local company a site for a theatre from city-owned property at the rear of the Empress hotel will be submitted to the ratepayers on the same date as the municipal elections. This is made possible by the prompt action of the City Council in special session last evening, when in response to the representations of a deputation of leading citizens the by-law was drafted and amended to meet the wishes of all concerned and finally passed.

There were present as a deputation from the Board of Trade committee having the matter in hand, Simon Leiser (chairman), A. Hayward, Charles Hayward, F. H. Pemberton, J. H. McGregor, F. M. Rattenbury and F. Elworthy.

Mr. Leiser, in explaining the object of the deputation's visit, pointed out that no members of the committee were interested in themselves in the matter of the construction of a new theatre expected to make a cent out of the project, but merely to give to Victoria what it needs very badly, an up-to-date opera house, and unless the citizens would extend the aid as set forth in the by-law it would end the matter, and no attempt would be made to collect the additional \$50,000 which would be required. He understood that certain members of the council objected to the by-law as originally drawn, and the committee of the Board of Trade had endeavored to meet the objection and a new by-law had been drafted, which he submitted.

The plan proposed in the new by-law by which the city would co-operate was to form a company and issue stock, all common and none preferred. A value would be arrived at by arbitration of the site asked for from the city and stock to that amount would be issued to the city in the People's Opera House Company.

Mr. Leiser argued that the city ought not to tax the property during the time it was used for theatrical purposes. The new building would cost \$100,000, of which \$50,000 had already been subscribed by railway companies and others. It was hoped that the B. C. Electric Railway Company would contribute to the extent of \$5,000, and the balance would have to be collected from private individuals. It was expected to have the theatre completed by January 1st, 1911. Mr. Leiser, in conclusion, presented a lengthy argument showing the need of a better theatre for the city of Victoria.

J. H. MacGregory mentioned that it ought to be remembered that some of the subscriptions had been given on the understanding that the full amount of \$100,000 should be raised. This was a guarantee that the theatre would cost that sum.

Mr. Leiser informed Ald. Stewart, who raised the question, that exemption from taxation would terminate when the building ceased to be a theatre.

Ald. Turner contended that the agreement should provide that the city should have no representation on the board of directors.

Mr. Leiser, in reply to this, said there could be no objection to such provision. It had been expected that in any event the mayor of the city would be a member of the board of directors.

Ald. Fullerton, while he did not wish to oppose the project for the construction of a new theatre, was of the opinion that a better scheme could have been devised. Personally, he thought that a city hall and opera house could have been combined in a fine municipal building to be erected on the site in question. In many points in the Old Country there were such municipal buildings. The site which it was proposed to give in the company might involve in value in two years. He thought the taxes after the venture had proved profitable to the company.

Mr. Leiser said the committee had been careful to frame the by-law to meet the objections of Ald. Fullerton. All that the city was asked was to grant the property free of all taxation. It would be very hard to raise the extra \$50,000 which was required for the construction of the theatre.

After some further discussion some amendments were made to the by-law on the advice of W. J. Taylor, city barrister, who was present, and the by-law as re-drafted was put through its final stages. The vote will be taken on February 16th in the B. C. Pottery building on Pandora avenue. The polls will be kept open between the hours of 9 a.m. and 7 p.m.

The by-law is known as the People's Opera House Grant Authorization By-

"Blood Will Tell"

Strength, stamina and vitality depend upon the blood supply. Keep it pure, fresh and red with

BEECHAM'S PILLS

Sold Everywhere In BOTTLES 25 CENTS.

low, 1909, and its principal clauses are as follows:

"1. It shall be lawful for the mayor of the city of Victoria, after the passing of a resolution of the council approving the same forthwith to enter into and execute, and cause the seal of the city to be affixed to an agreement between the corporation and the said company, when incorporated, or with any citizen appointed as trustee for the company, and approved by the council, binding the company or trustee as aforesaid to commence within six months thereafter from the erection of the said opera house building, to cost not less than one hundred thousand dollars, and to grant and convey such lot to said company after the completion by such company of the terms of such agreement. The council in this agreement shall require that the company shall give to the corporation such number of shares of common stock as represents the value of the land so that the corporation shall be part proprietor on an equality with the cash subscribers to the common stock.

"2. After the execution of the said agreement the said mayor shall execute to the said company and its successors a grant and conveyance of said lot three in fee simple (but without covenants for title by the city).

"3. The said land so to be granted and the improvements thereon shall be exempt for so long as the city or the company retain their respective interests therein, and maintain same for opera house purposes from all manner of municipal assessments, taxes and burdens (except water and light rates) in the same manner as municipal property.

"4. This by-law shall not come into effect until ratified by the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia.

"5. The land shall be valued by three arbitrators, one to be appointed by the said company and one by the city, and another to be appointed by the said two arbitrators. The award of such three arbitrators or a majority thereof shall be conclusive as to the value of said land.

"6. The memorandum and articles of association of said company shall contain provisions satisfactory to the council of the corporation of the city of Victoria, that the council may at all times appoint a number of directors of said company proportionate to the number of shares held by the city in such company."

CHINESE WOMAN

SEEKS DIVORCE

Asks for Custody of Children and Alimony—Files Petition Secretly

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 31.—The Americanization of Tsang Wong Kiew was completed yesterday when the Chinese woman asked Judge Graham for a decree of divorce against her husband, Tsang Wan. It is the first Chinese divorce case ever brought in this city. Mrs. Wong discussed the matter in truly American style. She alleged desertion, asked for the custody of her four children, declaring that her husband is not a fit person to care for them and made a plea for alimony. A reasonable amount of alimony is all she asked for, inasmuch as Tsang Wong only earns \$50 a month and his board and lodgings.

But Tsang Wong Kiew didn't stop with alimony in emulating the disgruntled American wife, she also filed her complaint secretly.

All that prevented the hearing of the case yesterday was the fact that her attorney couldn't find her. She dropped from sight after she consulted her lawyers.

WILL AGAIN PAY

SIX PER CENT. DIVIDEND

Annual Report of Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company—Increases.

Toronto, Dec. 31.—According to the annual statement of the Crow's Nest Pass Coal company, issued yesterday, the dividend of six per cent is to be resumed. Production has increased at the mines from an output of 3,000 tons a day in July to an average of about 4,000 in December, and in addition the new management has conserved the interests of the company and shareholders by getting aside ten cents a ton for depreciation on the equipment. The statement shows not only the wiping out of all loss, but a net profit of some thousands but just how much the directors do not wish to say at the present time.

TWO CHILDREN ARE

BURNED TO DEATH

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 31.—Two infant children of Mrs. Frederick Keller were burned to death yesterday in a fire that started in the nursery from some unknown cause. Mrs. Keller went to the stable to help her husband with the morning milking. Agonized screams coming from the house attracted her attention. Rushing to the nursery she found her little ones writhing in agony upon the floor. The children were three and one years' old.

RESCUES HER CHILDREN.

Sacramento, Cal., Dec. 31.—Risking her own life by rushing through the flames which quickly spread from the explosion of an oil lamp in her home, Mrs. C. N. Cadill rescued her three children who were asleep in bed and carried them one by one from the burning house. She was but slightly burned and the children escaped unhurt.

Sale
Commences
Monday

Campbells
THE FASHION CENTRE

Sale
Commences
Monday

The First Great Event of the New Year

One which, so to speak, will go down in history as the one great bargain offering of 1910, will be

OUR GREAT JANUARY SALE, WHICH COMMENCES MONDAY MORNING

Every garment has been remarkably reduced. The most exclusive styles are included, as are also the most expensive garments. Nothing has been reserved. All goods in each of our departments have descended to January Sale prices

SALE COMMENCES MONDAY, JANUARY 3, 9 a. m.



LADIES' AND MISSES' COATS

All of this season's styles. Tastily trimmed in braids, velvets and silk facings. Jet buttons are a prominent ornamentation on many of the styles. The entire showing is worthy of your very close and early inspection. All shades are shown

VALUES UP TO \$500

Jan. Sale Price \$500

VALUES UP TO \$1000

Jan. Sale Price \$750

Very excellent line of coats, showing exclusive productions from leading European centres.

VALUES UP TO \$100

Jan. Sale Price \$12.75

In this department is afforded unusual opportunities for bargain seekers. There is no excuse to be without a coat now.

The very highest priced coats and suits have also been brought down to January sale prices. Some of the most beautiful creations are on show Monday.

Ladies' and Misses' Suits

IN WELTERED SERGES, TWEEDS and other rough materials. All are fashionable products. Colors are wisteria, different shades of mauve, greens in various shades, reseda, the new peacock blue and navy blue. Regular values up to \$18. January Sale Price \$9.75

VALUES UP TO \$150

Jan. Sale Price \$750

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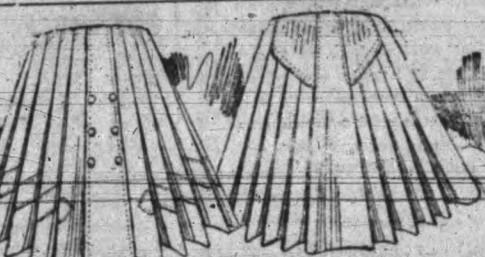
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LADIES' AND MISSES' SKIRTS

THIS EXTRA GOOD LINE OF SKIRTS will surely go on Monday.

3 CRAVENETTE WATERPROOF SERGES, January Sale Price, each \$3.50

7 HEAVY STRIPED, FANCY BOX CLOTH SKIRTS, January Sale Price, each \$5.50

12 VERY DURABLE SKIRTS, in browns, blacks and three shades of green. January Sale Price \$5.00



No Goods Charged or Sent on Appropriation During Sale

The Ladies' Store

ANGUS CAMPBELL CO., LTD.

1010 Gov't Street

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LOSES HEAVILY THROUGH FRAUDS

Two Men Alleged to Be Implicated Arrested by Great Northern Detectives.

(Times Leased Wire.)

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 31.—Chief Special Agent Al Ray, of the Great Northern railway, with four other operatives of the company's detective agency, are speeding westward to-day in a special train to cause the arrest of 25 different traffic centres along the line of persons said to be implicated in frauds in the disposal of passes, whereby the Great Northern has lost \$125,000 to \$150,000 a year for several years past. The alleged frauds became known following the arrest of Paul Carbon, a saloon-keeper, in this city yesterday, for illegally disposing of some of the passes. Later Special Agent Ray took into custody A. Tosca, a Greek labor agent at Grand Forks, N. D., and in company with four other detectives, who have been working out the ramifications of the alleged system of frauds, is to-day continuing westward to arrest other conspirators.

Their work will not be finished, it is said, until next week.

The Great Northern alleges that through the dishonesty of an official in the maintenance of way department, who is alleged to have confessed connection with the fraud, the perpetrators of the fraud were able to get great quantities of tickets, ostensibly for the use of laborers, and sell these for cash to bands of laborers moving through St. Paul to private work or on pleasure bent, but not working for the Great Northern. Persons were thus sent to destinations along the Great Northern, and when they wished to return they applied to an agent at the nearest traffic centre, to whom they had been previously referred, and that person, it is alleged, sent to St. Paul and secured for them transportation to such points as they wished to go from the St. Paul headquarters.

Carbon, the alleged ringleader of the fraudulent operators, was granted a continuance until January 6th. He was released on a bond furnished by a surety company.

NEW MOVE.

Ontario Legislature to Be Asked to Prohibit Sale of Liquor on Christmas Day.

Toronto, Dec. 31.—The temperance people of the province will ask the legislature to prohibit the sale of liquor on Christmas Day, and probably on Good Friday and Thanksgiving.

TO FACILITATE WORK OF REVENUE CUTTER

The Snohomish Will Hereafter Coal at Port Angeles Instead of Seattle.

(Times Leased Wire.)

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 31.—Hereafter the United States revenue cutter Snohomish, engaged in life-saving duty at Cape Flattery, will not be compelled to steam up to Seattle every time that it is necessary to replenish bunkers. The department has arranged to lease a portion of the Craig Fish Company's dock at Port Angeles, and a supply of coal will be kept on hand there for the use of the revenue service.

The steamer Sampson, of the Puget Sound Navigation Company, yesterday left Seattle for Boat Harbor, B. C., to take on 300 tons of coal, which will form the first delivery of fuel at the new revenue cutter bunkers.

The steamer Snohomish was built for the express purpose of saving life at Cape Flattery and off the Washington coast, and of being an aid to shipping in distress, but as there was no supply of fuel at hand, the vessel was forced

to come to Seattle for a supply of coal at least once a month.

When the service of the cutter was first started, it was required to come to Seattle for coal. Once when the cutter was on the coast, the vessel had run on the bunkers and was compelled to make the 130-mile run to Seattle to get more coal.

This was the case at the time of the wreck of the Matterhorn.

CHERRY MINE DISASTERS.

Red Cross Society Has Spent \$200,000 in Relieving Victims of Sufferers.

Chicago, Dec. 31.—Plans are being made here to-day by Ernest Bicknell, national director of the Red Cross Society, for calling a meeting of the Red Cross councils and the executive committee of the United Mine Workers for the purpose of giving relief to the survivors of the Cherry disaster.

In replying to charges that the Red Cross had not properly relieved suffering at Cherry, Bicknell said that the organization had spent nearly \$200,000 and that the families of the dead miners were being cared for even better than their own breadwinners could have done.

TWO MEN ASPHYXIATED.

Des Moines, Iowa, Dec. 31.—William Foster, a pioneer theatrical man, and Louis Bemis, of Spencer, a friend, were found dead last night at the Foster home. They had been asphyxiated

TORONTO PARK BONDS.

(Special to the Times.)

Toronto, Dec. 31.—The application were made at Osgoode hall yesterday to wind up the Toronto park bonds, which are held to a large extent in Montreal. One application declares the aggregate indebtedness of the company is \$470,000, with \$300,000 assets. The O'Keefe Brewery Company, which made the second application, states that the company published a statement showing indebtedness to be \$36,000.

TWO BURNED TO DEATH.

Wagon Plunges Over Cliff and Catches Fire From Small Stove.

Floyd, Texas, Dec. 31.—Mrs. S. B. Beck and her ten-year-old son were burned to death in the debris of their covered wagon which plunged over a cliff in Blanco canyon and caught fire from a small stove.

TWENTY-THREE PERISH.

Seventeen Young Women Among Victims of Boating Accident.

London, Dec. 31.—A Vienna special the Standard says that twenty-three young women, were drowned in boating accident near Karlowitz, Austria-Hungary, on Christmas day.

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LOOKING FORWARD.

Father Time hastens relentlessly along his unwearied way, and has led us to the end of another year. To-night 1909 passes into history. To Canada, and the greater part of the world as a whole it has been a good year. In some of the minor nations where the dynamic and political conditions are unsettled there has been internal turmoil. Rulers have been dethroned and governments changed. But, while in one case particularly a world-wide convulsion was threatened, such a catastrophe was happily averted, and the year ends in peace and with bright prospects for continued maintenance of peace. There is but one cloud on a horizon which otherwise presents a rosy aspect, and that, we hope and believe, is more the product of morbid imaginations than reality. There is no reason that any responsible statesman of either Great Britain or Germany can explain why there should not be permanent peace between our Motherland and the Fatherland. They are the leaders in the arts and the industries which are productive of the greatest good to mankind. Whoever deliberately sets about, for his own selfish purposes and ambitions, sowing seeds of discord between them is guilty of a heinous crime against the civilization of the twentieth century.

As we have said, the year 1909 has been a good year for Canada, probably the best in her brief history. A nation of slightly over seven millions of people which produces from one field of activity alone—that of agriculture—more than five hundred million dollars worth of marketable goods cannot but be admitted to be in fairly prosperous circumstances. If to this extraordinary output be added the products of the fisheries, the mines, the forests, the manufactures, etc., the grand total would present tremendous proportions. No wonder the Canadian of today feels rich in pocket and begins to have some realization of the value of his inheritance. No need to wonder why he turns in disdain from all suggestions which imply a surrender of one jot or tittle of his political autonomy or national independence.

But a young nation, like a young man, is somewhat impatient of the present. It irks him to some extent. His imagination is busy with the prospects of the future. The future of Canada, viewed from the standpoint of the achievements of the past year, affords scope for the most extensive flights of the most riotous imagination. There is nothing in history quite parallel with it, with the exception of the prospects of the United States a hundred years ago. But nations grow quicker and develop faster than they did a hundred, or even fifty, years ago. There has been a revolution in means of transportation as in almost everything else men find for their hands to do. The year 1909 marked the beginning of the Canadian forward movement. Watch us in 1910. May it prove as happy a year to Canadians individually as it promises to be prosperous for the nation.

The Times extends to all its subscribers, friends and patrons, and to all the people, cordial wishes for a happy and prosperous new year.

As to-morrow will be a public holiday, the Times will not be issued in the evening.

The case against two lads, charged with using bad language, which was before the police court for a couple of days, was this morning withdrawn by the private prosecutor.

The Women's Bible Class of Centennial Methodist church held a very enjoyable Christmas treat Wednesday afternoon last in the schoolroom of the church. Mrs. Holt read a very interesting paper on "The Duties and Privileges of Mothers," before an assemblage of 60 ladies. An excellent musical programme was also given, after which refreshments were served.

The entertainment to be given this evening by the members of the local fire brigade, at the headquarters station promises to be a most successful one. An elaborate programme has been prepared, to which several local artists will contribute. After this dancing will be indulged in, and the New Year will be ushered in in this way. A large attendance is looked for as the proceeds will be devoted towards the firemen's fund.

A dance in celebration of the advent of the New Year will be given this evening in the Broad street hall by the Rugby members of the James Bay Athletic Association. The hall has been prettily decorated with the club colors and evergreen and pennants. Miss Heater's orchestra of five pieces will render a choice programme of music. The chaperons for the occasion are Mrs. H. D. Helmcken, Mrs. Fred Carne and Mrs. Simpson.

MONDAY OPENS OUR ANNUAL SALE

WITH VALUES THAT WILL CROWD THE STORE WITH ENTHUSIASTIC SHOPPERS

Every department with the exception of the Housewares and Furniture Departments falls into line Monday with exceptional values. Watch closely our advertisements, as every day there will appear new items which may be just what you need at phenomenally low prices.



Clear-Out Prices on Ladies' Costumes

There remains only one month to clear out our entire stock of Ladies' Costumes and Jackets, and we have reduced the price to such an extent as to make doubly sure of a clean sweep.

Regular Values \$14.50 to \$75.
JANUARY SALE PRICES

\$7.50, \$13.75 and \$19.50

Every costume is the season's very latest effect, beautifully tailored and finished in the season's most pronounced materials.

Ladies' Jackets Greatly Reduced

Reg. values \$10.00 for **\$5.00**
Regular \$12.50 to \$17.50 for **\$7.50**
Regular \$18.75 to \$25.00 for **\$12.50**
Regular \$27.50 to \$35.00 for **\$17.50**
Regular \$40.00 to \$75.00 for **\$22.50**

This is one of the best bargains offered. We are placing on sale every Jacket and at a price which means sure clearance. Nearly every style and material is represented in this superb gathering, and we venture to say that these bargains will keep everybody busy. Second floor.

Attractive Prices on Ladies' Raincoats

We are making a very unusual reduction in Women's Raincoats and it will pay every lady wishing one to be here early. There will be plenty opportunity for a good raincoat to become useful, and at these prices every woman can have one. They include Heptonettes, Rubberized Silk and Rainproof Cloths.

Reg. \$7.50 Jan'y Sale **\$4.50**
Reg. \$8.50 to \$10.00 Jan'y Sale **\$5.75**
Reg. \$12.50 and \$15.00 Jan'y Sale **\$7.50**
Reg. \$17.50 and \$20.00 Jan'y Sale **\$9.75**
Reg. \$22.50 and \$25. Jan'y Sale **\$12.50**
Reg. \$30 to \$37.50 Jan'y Sale **\$16.75**

A Clearance of Children's Coats

Reg. \$4.50 and \$5 for \$2.50 | Reg. \$5.50 to \$6.50 for \$3.50
Reg. \$7.50 to \$10 for 4.75 | Reg. \$12.50 to \$17.50, \$6.75

Every mother should take advantage of such splendid bargains as the above prices denote. They include the very latest models in Serges, Diagonals, in-plain and stripe effects, smartly tailored in styles that will captivate everybody.

Black Silk Dress Skirts, \$7.50

Reg. \$10 to \$25; January Sale

Just think for a moment what this means to your pocketbook. They are made of fine quality black silk exceptionally well made. The regular values run from \$10.00 up to \$25.00, yet to clear them all out we have marked them down to one price. **\$7.50**

Men's Clothing at January Sale Prices

Regular Values \$22.50 to \$30.00 for \$17.75

No matter what kind of a suit you wish you will find it included in this sale, and marked at a tremendous saving. Especially is this true of our \$22.50 and \$30.00 Suits. They are made of fine quality tweeds and worsteds, embracing the very finest tailoring and finish, and in order to make a cleanup of every Suit we have marked them down to **\$17.75**

Regular \$15.00 to \$20.00. JANUARY SALE, \$11.75

Regular \$12.50 to \$13.50. JANUARY SALE, \$8.75

Regular \$8.75 to \$10.00. JANUARY SALE, \$6.75



January Sale of Men's Overcoats

Regular \$10.00 values for **\$5.75**
Regular \$12.50 to \$13.50 for **\$9.75**
Regular \$15.00 to \$18.00 for **\$13.75**
Regular \$20.00 to \$25.00 for **\$16.75**

Just in the nick of time is these offerings. In many cases the prices are cut nearly in half. These overcoats are in Cravenettes, Waterproof Tweeds, Beavers and Friezes, and would justify the most fastidious dresser. In coming to inspect them you won't leave without buying one.

Move Quick Prices on Men's Pants

Men's Pants made of fancy worsteds and tweeds, are all reduced for quick clearance.

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Special Bargains in Men's Furnishings

Men's Shirts, Reg. \$1 for 65c

MEN'S COLORED PRINT SHIRTS—A great quantity of Print and Zephyr Shirts in colored checks, stripes, spots and fancy designs, starched neck bands and cuffs, some with separate cuffs and wristbands. These are the shirts of which we have made a leading line all the season at \$1.00 and have been special value at that price. We have sizes 15½, 16 and 16½, and have marked them down to **65c**

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Men's Flannel Shirts, reg. \$1 for 50c

MEN'S STRIPED UNION FLANNEL SHIRTS with collars attached, mostly blue shades and good serviceable shirts for work. Regular value \$1.00. January Sale Price **50c**
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Men's Natural Wool Shirts and Drawers, reg. 65c and 50c, for 25c

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Band Concert, Victoria Theatre, Sunday next.

CHILDREN'S PARTY.

A Merry Gathering at the Home of Miss Hackett.

A delightful party was given yesterday by Miss Hackett at her residence, 1302 Fort street, in honor of her nieces and nephews, the children of Mrs. A. A. Hunter-Miss Edna, Kathlene and Charles, and Masters Maurice and Charles. The party lasted from 2 o'clock in the afternoon until 5 o'clock in the evening, during which time the children freely enjoyed themselves. Games and other amusements were indulged in, and a most happy time was given the little guests. A novel idea was introduced in serving supper, that of giving each child a prettily decorated box containing a liberal supply of dainty refreshments. This did away with all the formality attending the spreading of tables, and was a source of surprise and enjoyment to the children. At the close presents were distributed to the children from a elaborately decorated Christmas tree. Among those who attended were: Muriel Grant, Rena Grant, Willie Grant, Leslie Grant, Clifford Adams, Kenneth Adams, Thos. Watkinson, Edward Savannah, Beatrice Savannah, Lloyd Spencer, Jean Spencer, Phil Willis, Madeline Nelson, Gertrude Nelson, Douglas Bone, Saddle Watkin, Adel Hamberger, Victoria Wyldie, Norma Mesher, Martha Stevenson, Maggie Nelson, Cecil Nelson, K. Terry, Miss M. Terry, W. Terry, Winnie Maymuth, C. Vincent, Agnes Carne, Harold Carne, Winnie Winterburn, Jessie Winterburn, George Winterburn and Lottie Winterburn.

MOTORING DISTANCES.

The following shows the distance from Victoria to different points at Vancouver Island:

	Miles.
Alberni	112
Cowichan	26
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ADDITIONAL ELECTRIC LIGHTS APPORTIONED

Places in City Where Lamps Are to Be Erected.

The electric light committee of the city council, at a special meeting held last evening, presented a report appportioning the new lamps on hand to various sections of the city, as follows: Grahame street and Topaz avenue; Topaz avenue and Prior street; Jessie street, Victoria West; Fairfield road and Trutch street; Fairfield road and St. Charles street; Vancouver and Pendergast streets; Cook and May streets; Cowan avenue, near Chamberlain and Cowichan streets; View street, between Cook and School streets; Blanchard and North Park streets; Mary street, between Langford and Fairfield road and May street; Medina street; Bank street and Leighton road; Marion street and Caledonia avenue; Esquimalt road (St. George's Inn); Verdier avenue; Shakespear street, between Pembroke street and Edmondson road; Oak Bay avenue, near Terrace avenue; Fourth street and Finlayson avenue.

Mr. Mable, chairman of the committee, said there were a few lamps still on hand and that more had been ordered. The incoming council will require to arrange for the extension of the lighting system during 1910 as there are many applications on file from the districts which are rapidly developing in various outlying parts of the city.

WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Dec. 31, 5 p. m.—The pressure is increasing over the province and the low area has moved rapidly inland and is now centred over Montana. Snowfall has been very general west of the Rockies and heavy rain has fallen in California. In the prairie provinces snow is falling in Alberta, and the weather is chiefly cloudy and cold.

Forecast.—For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Saturday: Victoria and vicinity—Westerly winds, partly cloudy and cold, with snow. Lower Mainland—Light to moderate winds, chiefly cloudy and cold, with snow.

Reports.—Victoria—Barometer, 29.74; temperature, 36; minimum, 22; wind, 12 miles W.; rain, 30; weather, snowing. New Westminster—Barometer, 29.72; temperature, 36; minimum, 26; wind, 4 miles N.; rain, 4; weather, cloudy. Kamloops—Barometer, 29.54; temperature, 29; minimum, 25; wind, 8 miles W.; snow, 6; weather, cloudy. San Francisco—Barometer, 29.82; temperature, 50; minimum, 48; wind, 8 miles N.; rain, 20; weather, rain. Port Simpson—Barometer, 30.10; temperature, 35; minimum, 26; wind, 12 miles N. W.; weather, clear. Edmonton—Barometer, 29.79; temperature, 19; minimum, 10; wind, 18 miles N. E.; snow, 14; weather, snowing. Winnipeg—Barometer, 29.64; temperature, 8; minimum, 2; wind, 4 miles S. E.; weather, cloudy.

TO DO WORK BY CONTRACT

DECISION RESPECTING DOUGLAS IMPROVEMENT

Day Labor System to Be Abandoned in the Lighting Scheme.

The contract system will be followed by the city in carrying out the scheme for a system of ornamental lights which are to be erected on Douglas street between Humboldt and Cornmorant, and on Yates street between Douglas and Blanchard. This decision was reached at the special meeting of the city council held last evening, when there was present a deputation of owners on Douglas street to press for prompt action on the part of the board in going on with the work.

Mr. Hutchison, superintendent of the electrical department of the city, was present and exhibited a number of designs of ornamental lights. These were inspected by the owners present and will be further considered. Another matter in which the deputation of Douglas street owners is interested was considered. This was the position of C. E. Bradshaw, who owns property on that thoroughfare. He objects to wood blocks as a pavement on Douglas street and at last Monday's meeting of the board wrote saying he would reserve his rights and gave formal notification that he would object to his property being assessed as proposed. The deputation feared that this action on the part of Mr. Bradshaw might delay the work of laying.

The city solicitors, however, in a communication to the board, had anticipated the feelings of the deputation and had forwarded a letter dealing with Mr. Bradshaw's position. They advised that the latter's letter could not be taken in any sense as a proper adverse petition, and that as the great majority of the owners are in favor of the scheme it could not now be upset.

The by-law to raise \$184,000 for school purposes was amended by striking out the two items provided for the addition of four rooms to the Victoria West school and the erection of a frame school on the Bank street site, which were estimated to cost \$24,000 and substituting therefor a similar amount to be used for the completion of the George Jay and Moss street schools, for which sufficient funds are not available. This by-law will be submitted to the ratepayers on election day.

The bill for \$2,700, put in jointly by the city barrister and the city solicitors, at last Monday evening's meeting of the council, and held over until a detailed account had been submitted, was after some consideration ordered paid.

A NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION

Resolved.—That I will have my photo taken at Foxall's studio, 1111 Government street, He has the latest styles.

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MANY NEW COMPANIES ARE INCORPORATED

Appointments Announced in This Week's Official Gazette.

The following notaries public are gazetted in this week's issue of the British Columbia Gazette:

Maurice Glitsberger, Harry Hugh Millard, Alfred Percy Fisher, Ormond L. Weir, Benjamin George Hansell, and Alfred Norman, barrister-at-law, and John R. Edwards, of the city of Vancouver; Sherman Herbert Ford, of Pitt Meadows; and Edwin Milan Carncross, of Cloverdale, New Westminster district.

Boards of examiners under the Coal Mines Regulation act have been appointed for several collieries, including the following:

Extension colliery: Appointed by the owners, Alexander Bryden; alternates, William Jones, Alexander Shaw; appointed by the lieutenant-governor in council, Eugene Lowe; elected by the miners, James Glen; alternates, Erskine Nimmo, James Deeming.

Nasamio collieries: Appointed by the owners, John Newton; alternates, Henry Devlin, John Hunt; appointed by the lieutenant-governor in council, Thomas Budge; elected by the miners, Luther Saville; alternates, John Carr, Alexander Stewart.

Cumberland colliery: Appointed by the owners, David McNeil; alternates, John Liddle, David Walker; appointed by the lieutenant-governor in council, John Kesley; elected by the miners, Joseph W. Horbury; alternates, Alexander McNeil, Thomas Leeman.

D. S. Tait, for the promoters, gives notice of an application for a bill incorporating a railway company with power to build from a point on the Grand Trunk Pacific near Eagle Lake, thence following the watershed of the Willow river to a point on the Cariboo road near Barkerville.

Barnard & Robertson are acting for applicants who want a charter to build a line from a point near where the Salmon river crosses the boundary between British Columbia and Alaska, thence following the Salmon river to its source and on to a connection with the Grand Trunk Pacific.

The Cranbrook Electric Light Company is given authority to construct a dam not exceeding sixty feet in height on St. Mary's river, East Kootenay and to store water in St. Mary's lake.

The Campbell River Power Company is seeking a water record for 2,500 cubic feet, or 100,000 miners' inches, to be taken from a point 2½ miles from the mouth of Campbell river, immediately above the falls. The Atlin Power Co., Ltd., is applying for a record on Fourth of July creek, twelve miles above its mouth, the quantity being 84 units.

The following companies have been granted certificates of incorporation: Cowichan Merchants, Limited, capital \$25,000; to carry on business as wholesalers and retail merchants of every description, to deal in real estate, timber lands, timber and mineral claims, to act as general contractors, mine owners, power producers, smelters, refiners, shipowners, freighters, dock-masters, wharfingers, money-lenders.

Graham Island Colliers, Ltd., capital, \$250,000.

Home Finance and Investment Co., Ltd., capital, \$200,000.

Vancouver Gypsum Co., Ltd., capital, \$100,000; to purchase from Evans, Coleman & Evans, a contract for 21 years with the Pacific Coast Gypsum Company, of Tacoma, for the supplying of gypsum in at Gypsum, Alaska, and to take over from them a lease from the C. P. R. of lands at Port Moody.

Vancouver Scale and Butcher Supply Company, Ltd., capital \$10,000; to take over the business of the Vancouver Scale and Butcher Supply Co.

Warwick Shingle Co., Ltd., capital \$100,000; limit-owners, loggers, sawmill and shinglemill proprietors and operators, shipowners and carriers.

World Building, Limited, capital \$200,000; real estate, money-lenders, warehousemen and manufacturers.

The Ethel Silver Mining Co., Ltd., with head office at Spokane, is granted a certificate of provincial registration. J. S. Lamphere, Trout Lake, is its representative.

In view of the convention of western Conservatives which is expected to be held next July a committee meeting of local Conservatives will be held shortly to discuss Victoria's representation there.

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ROAD RACE ON NEW YEAR MORN

ANNUAL EVENT OF
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Start From Broad Street Rooms
at Half Past
Ten.

To-morrow's principal sport attraction will be the Y.M.C.A. annual road race, in which all the best runners of the many Victoria athletic clubs will take part, running a distance of six miles for the Y.M.C.A. trophy, with the course commencing and finishing at the Y.M.C.A. rooms, Broad street.

The Y.M.C.A. race on New Year's morning is an annual affair, and has been popular among runners since its inception. Last year's race was run a distance of five miles, and was won by Frank Baylis, who has since turned professional. For two years Baylis was the best amateur runner here and carried off all the prizes. His retirement from the amateur ranks has had the effect of encouraging other runners who previously knew they would be unable to get into first place, to enter this year's race, and there are many likely men who will face Mayor Hall's starting pistol to-morrow.

The distance of the race to-morrow is six miles and a half, being an increase of about a mile on last year's race. The course, starting from the Broad street hall, will be down Yates to Government streets, along to Belleville street and down Superior street to Dallas road; up Dallas road to the park and round the park circle twice. Thence down Douglas street to Superior; down Superior to Government; up Government to Fort street to Broad street rooms.

Among the runners who will start is G. Brown, Victoria West Athletic Club. He is the winner of the Empress road race Christmas morning. His strongest competitor is Wikison of the Y.M.C.A., who ran second in the Y.M.C.A. road race last year after keeping closer to Baylis than any of the other runners in the race.

The runners entered will assemble at the Y.M.C.A. rooms at 10 o'clock, and the mayor will fire the gun sharp at 10.30 to send them on their journey.

In the race, Victoria West will have one entry, Empress Athletic Club two, Y.M.C.A. three, J.E.A.A. one and Esquimalt one.

Gold Seal Race.

Coleman of the North Ward Athletic Club, will take part in the Gold Seal race at Vancouver to-morrow, the first prize for which is a \$100 chest of silverware and a medal. There are no other Victoria runners entered, all being engaged with the Y.M.C.A. six-mile event here.

CROWD GOING UP TO NANAIMO TO-MORROW

Strong Victoria West Team
Takes Up Many Supporters.

There will be quite a crowd take the train for Nanaimo to-morrow morning with the Victoria West footballers, who go up to play the Nanaimo team in the Island League match, meeting for the first time, if Victoria West can win the game and the spectators who have seen both the teams this year say Victoria West can win by two goals, the team will be at the head of the Island League, with a strong running for the championship of the league.

S. Okell wants all who are going up to notify him early that they are securing the benefit of the cut rate allowed the team on the railway.

The team that leaves is composed of Beane, Whyte, Prevost, Bailey, Pettigrew, Kinloch, Okell, Sherrett, Sedger, Wright and Buxton.

Against the Nanaimo team as published last night this eleven should make a strong impression and should win the game.

City League.

Four matches are scheduled to-morrow in the Victoria and District League second division. They are as follows: Beacon Hill vs. Empress, at the Beacon Hill south ground, referee E. L. Tait; Victoria West vs. Esquimalt, at Oak Bay south area, Bob Lorimer, referee; Fifth Regiment vs. North Ward, at Oak Bay north ground, F. Richardson, referee; and Beacon Hill north ground, H. Bridgman, referee.

The most even game of these is that between Beacon Hill and the Empress, which will be played on the south ground of the park.

THE ROD.

SMELT FISHING IN THE HARBOR.

There are splendid opportunities for sport with the rod just now notwithstanding that it is "agin' the law" to take trout at this season of the year, that salmon are scarce in nearby waters and the black bass are sulking at the bottom of Florence and Langford lakes. There are smelts by the million in the harbor, they are giants after their kind, and a few enthusiastic fishermen are capturing them by the bucketful. One devotee of the rod, who has whipped the waters of the fair and far-famed Seine, says the little white fish are as game and full of fight as the trout of France, and that the taking of them furnishes sport of the first class.

HOCKEY.

MAY SEEK INJUNCTION.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Dec. 31.—It is probable that Ottawa will seek by injunction to prevent Fred Taylor from playing hockey with Renfrew.

NEW YEAR HANDICAP AT EMPRESS PARLORS

Billiard Championship on the
American Plan
Offered.

A New Year billiard handicap will be commenced in the Empress billiard hall next week to be played on the American plan. Every player will play every man entered, and the one who records the greatest number of wins will be entitled to the first prize. A silver cup will be presented to the winner, and he will also receive a silver medal. A prize will also be given for the highest break made during the tournament.

The Christmas billiard handicap at the Empress has resulted in Stewart minus 70, N. Taylor minus 25 and Martin plus 80 being left in. The two latter players will play off for the honor of meeting Stewart in the final.

TAFT'S BROTHER MAY BE FORCED TO SELL

Holding of Stock in Two Baseball Clubs Not Favored by
Commission.

(Times Leased Wire.)

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 31.—Charles W. Murphy, of Chicago, and Charles P. Taft, of Cincinnati, whose purchase of the Philadelphia National League Club was announced in Philadelphia to-day, will probably get into trouble unless they get rid of their new acquisition. The action of the two men in secretly getting hold of the club is not favorably looked upon by the baseball powers.

Assuming that Mrs. Annie Sinton Taft, her husband, Charles P. Taft and Charles W. Murphy are interested in more than one club in the National Baseball League, it is announced that they will be expected by at least a faction in the league to dispose of their holdings in either the Chicago or the Philadelphia National League Club prior to the opening of the baseball season.

In commenting upon the purchase by Mrs. Taft of the grounds of the Philadelphia club, August Herrman, president of the national baseball commission, said to-day:

"I knew several days ago that such a step was to be taken. There is at present no rule in the National League which prevents anyone from owning stocks in two clubs, but I think if Taft and Murphy do not sell the Philadelphia club before the opening of the 1910 season they will be asked to do so."

"I believe that Taft purchased the Philadelphia club as an investment and intends to lease the grounds to the parties to whom the club is sold."

THE RING.

KETCH TO MEET BURNS.

Chicago, Dec. 31.—Tommy Burns, erstwhile heavyweight champion of the world, and Stanley Ketchel, middleweight champion, will battle before the National Sporting Club in London in February or March, according to a statement by Ketchel.

Ketchel said he would sail for England about January 15th and if he defeats Burns he will take on Sam Langford also before the London Sporting club. Later he said he expects to take a run to Australia and meet Bob Fitzsimmons, Bill Lang and Bill Squires.

ATELL AND CARROLL.

(Times Leased Wire.)

Portland, Ore., Dec. 31.—In a "no decision" ten round contest here last night Monte Atell, of San Francisco, hantam champion of the world, won the "decision of the house," over Jimmy Carroll, also of San Francisco. Atell appeared to be much heavier than his opponent. The champion had the better of seven of the ten rounds. Carroll did his most effective work in the fifth and at one stage of this round it looked as if he might land a finishing blow, but he lacked the necessary steam. Atell fought a fast and careful fight throughout, using both hands effectively, his body blows being particularly punishing.

Arthur Walsgrove, a commercial traveler, of Coventry, recently received a telegram from the King congratulating him on his golden wedding and for having served sixty years in the employment of one firm.

WATSON'S
NO. 10
Scotch Whisky

Distilled in the Highlands
of Scotland from pure
Scotch Barley Malt.

Insist on
"WATSON'S"

Canadian representative, J. H. Bonar,
4 Hospital St., Montreal, Que.

We wish the people of Victoria
a Happy New Year. We thank
you for patronage during our
ten months' of business here.
and solicit a continuance of
your support for the forthcoming
year.

WATCH THIS SPACE MONDAY

FITZPATRICK & O'CONNELL

811, 813 GOVERNMENT ST.

OPP. POST OFFICE

Tenders for Freightage Supplies for the Yukon Telegraph Line.

EXTENSION OF TIME.

The time for receiving tenders for the freightage of supplies for the Yukon Telegraph Line in the course of the seasons of 1910, 1911 and 1912, is hereby extended to Tuesday, February 15, 1910. Tenders are to be sealed, endorsed "Tender for Freightage Supplies," and addressed to the undersigned.

Forms of tender and specification may be obtained and form of contract seen on application to Mr. J. P. Phelan, Superintendent of Government Telegraphs, Vancouver, B. C., Mr. William Henderson, District Superintendent Government Telegraphs, Victoria, B. C., and from the Government Telegraph Agents at Ashcroft, B. C., Quesnelle, B.C., Hazelton, B. C., and Telegraph Creek, B. C.

Persons tendering are notified that tenders will not be considered unless made on the printed forms supplied and signed with their actual signatures, with their occupations and places of residences. In the case of firms, the actual signature, the nature of the occupation and place of residence of each member of the firm must be given.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted cheque on a chartered bank, payable to the order of the Honourable the Minister of Public Works, equal to ten per cent (10 p. c.) of the amount of the tender for one year's packing, which will be forfeited if the person tendering declines to enter into a contract when called upon to do so, or fail to complete the work contracted for. If the tender is not accepted the cheque will be returned.

The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By order,

NAPOLEON TESSIER,

Secretary,

Department of Public Works, Ottawa,

December 14, 1909.

NOTE.—Provision is being made by the Government to the extent of \$3,500.00 for general repairs, renewals of bridges, etc., along the trail between Hazelton and Ninth Cabin, next season.

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EXPERT VALUATOR

20 Years Experience.

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For a nominal fee will act as
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Knowing Every Property

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1203 Government St.

(Upstairs.)

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9 a. m. 6 p. m.

**Xmas Gifts At
Cost Price**

To clear a quantity of JEWELRY
AND DECORATED CHINA, both
ornamental and useful articles. All
these goods are good value and
absolutely marked down at cost.
Store open every night until 9.30.

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Improved business lot on JOHNSON STREET.

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Lots 480, with use of play-ground.

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Very choice property with good improved streets and low prices.

Other lots and houses in all parts of the city

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ADVERTISE IN THE VICTORIA EVENING TIMES

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TUESDAY
9 O'CLOCK
JAN. 4th

CLOTHING SALE

—\$20,000—
WORTH OF FINE CLOTHING

The entire stock of ALLEN & CO.

FIT-REFORM WARDROBE

1201 Government St., Victoria

To Be Turned Into Cash in Fourteen Days

Owing to a change in the firm of Allen & Co. it becomes absolutely necessary to turn the entire stock into cash before the end of January. To accomplish this purpose we will hold a sale that will put all our past efforts in the shade. We are going to shrivel the prices on piles of seasonable merchandise so that every dollar bill will appear twice its ordinary value. Past experience has satisfied our patrons that we advertise only facts. Seeing is believing—therefore the only thing to do is to come and see. If we cannot save you money on your purchase, say "Good Day," and walk out. That's the talk that talks.

Men's Suit Department	Men's Overcoat and Rain-coat Department	Boys' & Youths' Clothing Department	Men's Pants Department
GOOD TWEED SUITS, in dark colors, assorted sizes, worth \$15. Now \$7.75	MEN'S FINE OVERCOATS, showerproof, worth \$12, now \$8.00	YOUTHS' RAINCOATS, worth \$10 to \$12. Now \$7.45	175 PAIRS MEN'S TWEED PANTS, worth \$4 to \$5. Now \$2.85
MEN'S SINGLE AND DOUBLE BREASTED SUITS, worth \$16.50 to \$18. Now \$9.95	MEN'S WELL TAILORED OVERCOATS, worth \$18. Now \$10.95	BOYS' RAINCOATS, worth \$6.50. Now \$3.85	100 PAIRS MEN'S WORSTED PANTS, worth \$4.50 to \$5.50. \$3.45
MEN'S DARK WORSTED SUITS, worth \$20 to \$22. Now \$12.75	A FINE RANGE OF MEN'S OVERCOATS, sizes up to 44, worth \$20. Now \$16.00	YOUTHS' SUITS, worth \$10 to \$14. Now \$7.65	A NUMBER OF THE FINEST QUALITY OF ENGLISH WORSTED PANTS, worth from \$7.50 to \$10. Now \$5.90
BIG MEN'S SUITS—In neat patterns, sizes 40 to 46, worth from \$18 to \$22. To clear at \$14.50	MEN'S RAINCOATS, in Gabardine Worsteds, worth \$12, now .. \$7.50	FIFTY BOYS' SUITS, worth \$6.50 to \$8.50. Now \$4.45	MEN'S KNICKERS, to clear at \$2.50
100 HIGH GRADE BLUE AND BLACK CHEVIOT AND WORSTED SUITS, worth \$25, now \$19.00	MEN'S RUBBERIZED ROSEBERRY WORSTED RAINCOATS, worth \$18. Now \$11.95	ONE HUNDRED BOYS' KNEE PANTS, worth \$1.50. Now 85c	DRESSING GOWNS, BATH ROBES, SMOKING JACKETS AND FANCY VESTS AT COST
65 OF THE FINEST ENGLISH FANCY WORSTED SUITS, worth from \$32 to \$35, now \$27.00		BOYS' LION BRAND SUITS AT COST.	

STORE WILL BE CLOSED ALL DAY MONDAY TO MARK DOWN GOODS AND RE-ARRANGE STOCK

Sale Starts Tuesday Morning, January 4th, at 9 o'Clock

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SALE
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SIX
CLOTHING
SALES
CLERKS

Stewart Williams & Co.
Duly instructed by MRS. C. KEAST,
will sell by PUBLIC AUCTION on
Tuesday, Jan'y 4th
AT HER RESIDENCE,
1003 Carberry Gardens
AT 2 P. M. SHARP.
A Quantity of
**Household Furniture
and Effects**

Including: Walnut Sofa, Settees,
Wicker Chairs, Walnut Rattlers, Brass
Fender, a number of Grates, Heaters,
Book Case, several Bureaus and Wash
Stands, Chairs, Oe. Tables, Hanging
Lamps, Mirrors, Kitchen Range,
Tables, Commode, quantity of Crock-
ery, Jam Jars, Cooking Utensils, Metal
Safe, Tools, Wash Tub and Boards,
Lawn Mower, Hose, Carpet Sweeper,
Brooms, Single Iron Bed, Walnut
Bedroom Suite, Walnut Chairs, Pillows,
Armchair, Toilet Ware, Rugs, Mat-
tresses, Blinds, Curtains, Household
Linen and other goods too numerous
to mention.

Stewart Williams, the Auctioneer

Stewart Williams & Co.

Duly instructed by CAPT. HUGHES,
will sell by PUBLIC AUCTION at his
Residence at

Work Point Barracks

ON

THURSDAY, JANUARY 6

AT 2 O'CLOCK SHARP

THE WHOLE OF HIS VALUABLE

**Household Furniture
and Effects**

Including:

DINING ROOM—Very handsome In-
laid Mahogany Sheraton Sideboard,
very solid Mahogany Extension Table,
very fine old Walnut China Cupboard,
four Chippendale Chairs, two small
Tables, Brass Fender and Fire Irons,
two Copper Coal Scuttles, Marble
Clock, pair of Brass Candlesticks, pair
of Muradabad Vases, two handsome
pair of Portieres, Fire Screen, Lace
Curtains, Brass Rods, Brussels Carpet,
Rugs, etc.

DRAWING ROOM—Very handsome
Eay 18th Century Cabinet by Bull,
Upright Piano by Heintzman & Co.,
Inlaid Mahogany Tea Table, Mahog-
any Writing Table, Mahogany Pedestal,
Overmantel, Rattan Chairs, Rattan
Settee, Paper Rack, Carved Oe. Table,
handsome Bear Skin Rug, two Leop-
ard Skins, Flower Stands, Cushions,
Art Serge Curtains, large Table
Lamp, Vases, Brass Fender and Fire
Irons, Electric Fittings, Lace Curtains,
Brussels Square, Rugs, etc.

KITCHEN—Tables, Chairs, Lin-
oleum, Refrigerator, Meat Safe, Dinner
Service, Tea Set, Crockery, Glassware,
Cutlery, etc.

HALL—Walnut Hall Stand, Brussels
Carpet, Str Carpet, Mats, two fine
Sporting Prints, Old Print of Victoria,
12-Bore Shotgun by Greener, Steel
Centre Salmion Rod, two Venetian
Scenes in Oil.

BEDROOM I.—Iron Bed, Spring and
Top Mattress, Bureau and Wash
Stand, Toilet Ware, Shaving Stand,
California Scenes, Lace Curtains, Rugs,
etc.

LIBRARY—Morris Chair, Couch,
Writing Table, Wicker Chairs, Cush-
ions, Book Case, Drophead Singer Sew-
ing Machine, Egyptian Paper Rack,
small Book Case, Novels, 16 Volumes
Century Encyclopedia, Napier's Pen-
ingular War, Gramophone and 50
Records, Oe. Tables, two very fine old
Engravings of Queen Victoria and
Prince Consort, 1847, engraved by
Sadd; "The Doctor" after Luke Fields;
"The Maypole" 1861, after Goodall;
"Sunday in the Blackwoods," 1863, by
Fader; Artists' Proof by Brookmole
and Colledge, Guitar and Mandolin,
Note Paper Case, Copper Coal Scuttle,
etc.

BEDROOM II.—Two Single Iron Bed-
steads, Complete Oak Chiffonier,
Bureau and Stand, Wicker Chair, Oe.
Tables, Pictures, Oak Skin Rug, Car-
pet, etc.

BEDROOM III.—Oak Bed, Spring and
Top Mattress, White Enamelled
Bureau, Mahogany Table, Window
Screens, Engraving, "Dream of Pilate's
Wife" after Gustav Dix; Curtains,
Kensington Square, etc.

BATHROOM—Medicine Cabinet,
Toilet Shaving Glass, Nickel Fittings,
Hot Water Bowl, Linoleum, Rug, etc.
Household Linen, Blankets, Feather
Mats, and other goods too numerous
to mention.

On view Wednesday, January 5th.

The Auctioneer, Stewart Williams

AT THE BARRACKS.

Salvation Army to Hold Services Dur-
ing the New Year Season.

The Salvation Army will hold a
watch-night service in the Broad street
cathedral to-night, commencing at 11
o'clock.

On New Year's day there will be a
public tea in the same building at half-
past five, the proceeds of which will
help to swell the fund. During the
night meeting there will be an enrol-
ment of junior recruits. There will be
special services all day on Sunday, and
the meeting at night will be held in
the Grand theatre, where there is
usually a large attendance.

Staff-Captain Hayes will be in
charge. Commissioner Coombes and
several of his staff are announced to
visit Victoria on the 24th and 25th of
next month, when it is expected the
new set of silver-plated instruments
will be presented to the band. The
commissioner will give a lecture while
here on Canada in the making.

The week-end meetings preceding his
visit will be led by Lieut-Colonel Pug-
mire, who is in charge of the prison
work throughout Canada, and Major
Findlay, of Toronto.

CUSTOM RETURNS SHOW INCREASE

QUARTER MILLION
OVER LAST YEAR

Import Duties Manifest In-
creasing Commercial Im-
portance of Victoria.

The customs returns for the year 1909
amount to \$1,577,553.99, being \$219,621.37

	Duties	Chinese	Other	Total
January	\$3,102.80	\$7,744	\$9.10	\$10,855.90
February	\$6,205.25	1,323	52.10	\$7,580.55
March	\$4,218.57	6,026	17.50	\$10,252.07
April	\$1,519.18	22,662	11.95	\$24,193.13
May	\$8,657.42	33,630	69.40	\$42,346.82
June	\$2,541.47	\$6,040	46.30	\$8,627.77
July	\$4,788.25	\$1,082	117.02	\$5,885.29
August	\$5,235.82	\$6,354	13.10	\$11,592.92
September	\$10,968.79	\$6,270	11.95	\$17,250.74
October	\$12,753.42	\$4,548	5.90	\$17,307.32
November	\$9,361.32	\$4,822	15.10	\$14,198.72
December	\$7,547.91	\$5,657	22.25	\$13,227.16
Approx. for 2 days	7,829.00			\$13,156.36
Total				\$1,577,553.99

ARE TO RUSH
Sooke Scheme

(Continued from page 1.)

"We would suggest that our respec-
tive engineers might meet and select
such a route."
"At the same time this municipality
is quite ready to insert in the charter
any reasonable regulations as to lay-
ing and repairing pipes, etc., that the
city may wish to impose and would
ask the city to state its requirements
in this respect as soon as may be con-
venient."

"A committee of this council will be
pleased to call upon you at any con-
venient time to discuss above matters.
A copy of our private bill will be for-
warded to you as soon as printed."
"J. S. FLOYD, C. M. C."
Mayor Hall thought it would be ad-
visable to refer the letter, which he
formed a very important one, to the
incoming council. The present board
would not be looking after any legisla-
tion the coming year.
"Add. Mable moved that the letter be
received and filed. He was of the
opinion that Oak Bay had considerable
nerve to lay such a communication
before the city council. There had
been some pretty nifty proposals from
the same quarter in the past, but this
was a little the worse. It was moved
in amendment that the communication
be received and referred to the in-
coming council. This carried."

GOOD YEAR CLOSES;
BETTER ONE DAWNS

(Continued from page 1.)

construction of the Grand Trunk Pac-
ific wharves and warehouse, the new
wing to the Empress hotel; the en-
largement of the Sayward sawmills;
the construction of a new theatre; the
improvements to the system of the
Victoria Terminal Railway Company
with the erection of a new station and
yards on Blanchard street, and—
why go on? The air is full of promise
for the future, and therefore the Times
may wish all its readers a happy and
prosperous New Year, confident in the
belief that this is no empty phrase, but
one for which there is every justifica-
tion for the expectation that it will be
abundantly fulfilled.

NEW YEAR'S AT Y.M.C.A.

Road Race in Morning, Gymnasium
Exhibition in Afternoon and
Musical Programme in
Evening.

To-morrow will be a big day at the
Y.M.C.A. In the morning the road
race will be run, and in the after-
noon the gymnasium exhibition given.
The programme for the afternoon con-
sists of horizontal bar work, and club
swinging by the senior class, fancy
marching by members of the employed
boys' class, wrestling and boxing
matches between Cohen and Margison,
and a basketball game between two
teams from the junior department, the
Beavers and the Whirlwinds. The box-
ing and wrestling matches will be spe-
cial features on the programme, and
as the two contestants have been in
many matches before, to-morrow's
ought to be close. The exhibition will
be on between the hours of 3 and 5
o'clock. Then between 5 and 6 o'clock
a reception will be held and refresh-
ments served by the reception commit-
tee of the association.

In the evening, commencing at 8.30
o'clock, the literary committee will en-
tertain. A good musical programme has
been prepared to which the following
will contribute: Arthur Longfield and
Arthur Maynard, silver bell ringing
duets; Miss Maud Underhill, readings;
Jesse Longfield, violin solo; with selec-
tions from several other local artists.
Capt. McIntosh, chairman of the lit-
erary committee, and R. B. McKel-
vey, president of the association, will
be present.

All friends of the association are cordi-
ally invited to attend and witness all
performances.

POLICE COMMISSION.

Business Transacted at Meeting Held
Yesterday Afternoon—Permit
For Boxing.

At the meeting of the police commis-
sioners yesterday afternoon Acting De-
tective J. W. Hutchinson was promot-
ed to be a detective, dating from to-
morrow.

A permit will be granted to the Em-
press Athletic Club for a boxing con-
test next Friday night, the names of
the principals to be furnished to the
chief of police in advance, and the
contest to be for medals or prizes only,
and not any monetary consideration.

showed of last year. The highest
month of the year was June, when the
returns amounted to \$208,028.57, as
against \$134,019.94 the year before.

The returns show the growing im-
portance of this port, Victoria, as a
port of entry for goods is rapidly in-
creasing in importance, as shown by
the customs figures. This is due in
large part to the increase in popula-
tion of the city and surrounding dis-
tricts.

Nearly a quarter of a million is a large
increase in the receipts at the port for
one year, and is most gratifying to all
who take an interest in the commer-
cial advancement of the city.

The collections by months, with ap-
proximate figures for the last two days,
are as follows:

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H. W. R. MOORE RESIGNS
CITY PROSECUTORSHIP

Joins Firm of Barnard & Rob-
ertson—C. L. Harrison
Acting Prosecutor.

This morning H. W. R. Moore, who
has been acting as city prosecutor for
the last two years, severed his connec-
tion with the position. Yesterday after-
noon his resignation was accepted by
the board of police commissioners.
Mr. Moore is entering the legal firm
of Barnard & Robertson.
At the conclusion of the city police
court this forenoon Magistrate Jay ex-
pressed his regret at Mr. Moore's de-
parture and tendered good wishes for
his continued success. Mr. Moore, he
said, had shown diligence and ability
in the conduct of the cases coming be-
fore the court, some of them intricate
and requiring a great amount of hard
work on the part of the public prose-
cutor. His worship admitted that Mr.
Moore's careful preparation of his
cases had frequently been of much
assistance to the bench.

Mr. Moore, in replying, spoke of
the unwavering fairness and courtesy of
the magistrate, and of the loyal co-
operation in the preparation of his
cases of Chief Langley, Capt. Palmer
and the members of the detective and
police forces.

Until the police commissioners make
a permanent appointment, C. L. Harri-
son, barrister, will act as city prose-
cutor.

H. A. ICKE PATENTS.
CONCRETE DAM

An Interesting Invention by
Engineer Now Resident
Here.

H. A. Icke, of this city, who was em-
ployed on the construction work of the
big reservoir at Smith's Hill in an en-
gineering capacity, has just secured a
patent in the United States for a concrete
dam of his invention. The Scientific
American thus describes it:
"The reinforced concrete dam is of cellu-
lar construction, capable of compensating
for expansion and contraction due to
climate changes, and open on the up-
stream side of the dam to form pockets
for reception of water, to utilize the lat-
ter to give stability to the structure, and
producing direct tensile instead of trans-
verse compression stresses, thus ensuring
the desired resistance and providing at
the same time suitable spillways for sur-
plus water."

ANIMATED PICTURES.

Victoria Theatre Will Again Introduce
Nightly Entertainments Commenc-
ing Tuesday.

The animated picture shows at the Vic-
toria theatre will be resumed on Tuesday
evening next, January 4th. This an-
nouncement is made by Manager Denham,
who, during the past three weeks, has
been endeavoring to arrange for a better
showing of his show, and it has only been
within the last few days that he has com-
pleted a contract with the Klein Optical
Co. of New York and Chicago, for his
future supply. In completing this contract
he has secured the best of the best, and
he would show only the best pictures
that could be secured, and it is on the
understanding that the films should be
original and new, that the contract has
been made. The Klein Co. is one of the
largest in the United States, and it has
an enviable reputation for supplying reli-
able and durable films. It was this com-
pany that took the pictures of the John-
son and Ketchell fight, the clearness of
which cannot be doubted after the ex-
hibition in this city, and all pictures shown
in the theatre are expected to bear this
remarkable clearness. In making this
contract, Mr. Denham has gone to con-
siderable expense, but he believes in
giving his patrons the best value for their
money, even if it is only ten cents, and
it is with this intention that he has en-
tered into the contract.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. J. C. Newbury and daughter left
for the south this morning by the Prince-
cess.

The Bishop and Mrs. Perrin will receive
as usual on New Year's Day from 3 to 6.

Mrs. M. O. Healey left last night on an
extended visit to Vancouver, where she
will be the guest of her sister, Mrs.
Forster.

J. H. Smith, manager for the Pacific
Radio Telephone Company, accompanied
by Lorne S. Bell, superintendent, and
Geo. W. Potter, special representative,
leave to-day on a tour of inspection of
Canada.

FOREST WEALTH OF THE DOMINION Duty of Every Citizen to Assist in Preservation of Re- sources.

"As soon as possible a survey should
be made of all the land in the hands of
the Crown in the Dominion and a de-
cision arrived at as to whether it is
fit for agriculture or not. If not fit for
agriculture it should be set apart for
a permanent timber reserve and all ef-
forts of settlers to get into it should be
resisted. If they are honest settlers,
it is a crime to let them go into places
where they will be unable to make a
living, and if they are dishonest they
intend to commit a crime in skinning
off the timber when they pretend to
be engaged in farming."

These were the statements of Mr.
Jas. Lawler, secretary of the Canadian
Forestry Association in a lecture given
on the subject of Canada's Vanishing
Forests in the assembly hall of the Ot-
tawa Collegiate Institute.

"Why should one be asked to take an
interest in the forests of the country?"
was the question which the speaker
set out to answer at the opening of his
address. People thought they had no
responsibility in the matter, as the fore-
sts were owned for the most part by the
Dominion and Provincial govern-
ments, and as worked were leased to
private individuals or lumber
companies. Besides it had always
been thought that the forests of the
country were illimitable. Another idea
was that even though the timber gave
out, clever men would invent substi-
tutes to take the place of wood.

In answer to these erroneous ideas
the speaker said, "Our forests are not
illimitable. No substitute has ever
been found for wood. It is unlikely
that one ever will be found, and if it
is, it will be more costly than the
original."

"And in the third place, supposing a
suitable substitute were found, this
would not touch the other great uses
of the forest, equally important with
the wood supplying. These include
the conservation of the water supply in
our streams with its attendant ef-
fect upon water powers and naviga-
tion, the prevention of soil erosion and
evaporation and the forming of a cov-
er for game and birds.

The area of the forests of Canada
had been greatly over-estimated. The
best estimates fixed the amounts of
Canada's merchantable timber at from
one-third to one-half that of the United
States. A recent Ontario estimate
was to the effect that at its present
rate of consumption the timber in the
province would last for thirty years.

While more steel and concrete than
ever before was being used in the con-
struction of buildings, the amount of
timber used had been steadily increas-
ing. For all purposes, nearly two
cords of wood was used annually for
every person in Canada. But huge as
this was, it was not so huge as the
dead loss from fire, which it was esti-
mated, destroyed every year at least
twice as much timber as was used by
man." During the nineteenth century
more than half the forests of Canada
were wiped away by fire. To endeavor
to prevent forest fire was the duty of
every citizen. Financially the forests
of Canada were a great asset bringing
into the country about \$4,500,000 a year
in revenue, besides the great benefits
accruing from the timber trade.

INSURANCE MANAGER DEAD.

Winnipeg, Dec. 31.—H. J. Lipscomb,
manager of the British American As-
surance Company here for the last
eight years, and formerly manager of
the Western Fire Insurance in To-
ronto, died yesterday, aged 57. Mr.
Lipscomb leaves a wife, four daugh-
ters and one son.

NEW COAL COMPANY.

Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 31.—Notice
of the application for incorporation of
a \$2,000,000 American company for
the development of the Grand Lake
Coalfields, appears in the Canadian
Gazette this week. The company is to
be known as the "Big Six Coal Com-
pany."

AIRSHIP WRECKED.

Mourmelon Le Grande, France, Dec.
31.—The bi-plane of M. Baerdors fell
into a tree to-day. Although the
aviator escaped unhurt, his machine
was totally wrecked.

THE TIMES NEW BUILDING

(Continued from page 1.)

The whole building will be fireproof,
and the upper floors will be served by
a first class elevator service. The
building will be steam heated and a
vacuum cleaning system will be in-
stalled throughout.

The transmission chutes will be op-
erated by compressed air, all plates and
documents passing from one floor to

another being transmitted in this man-
ner.

The main entrance will be from Fort
street, and will open on a fine vestibule,
tiled and marbled. The main offices
of the Times will be finished in ma-
hogany, while the other offices will be
completed throughout in slatted fir.
The corridors will be in fir and burlap.
The elevator and other openings will
be enclosed in rolled glass and wire,
and in all other respects the new build-
ing will conform to the most rigid con-
ditions with relation to its being fire-
proof.

Work will commence in ten days, the
contract calling for completion by the
1st September.

The specifications drawn by Mr.

Griffith provide for a building with
not only a handsome exterior, but
wash in interior fittings and furnish-
ings will be one of the most modern on
the coast.

The lease held by the Times on its
present cramped premises does not
expire until the end of next year, but
as work is to be rushed on the new
block it is hoped that it will be able
to welcome its friends in its new quar-
ters before next fall.

At Nanaimo last evening the Van-
couver High school girls defeated the
High school girls' team of Nanaimo at
basketball by a score of 19 to 1.

In the Heart of the Business Section

Where will the Greatest Building Activity
be in Victoria During 1910?

The corner of Broad and Fort streets will see more business development than any
other portion of the city.

The new Pemberton block, on the corner, now nearing completion, and the new
Times block on the opposite corner (both of which will be occupied by August)
will centralize the office trade of the city at that point.

We are agents for the local syndicate which has purchased **THAT BIG PIECE OF
PROPERTY, 60 x 120, ADJOINING THE TIMES SITE, ON FORT STREET.**
The best vacant business property in town for a high class trade. Just the lo-
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our friends for their generous patronage throughout
the past year. We trust that the year 1910 will find us
still deserving of your confidence and patronage. If you are
not already a customer of ours, we cordially invite you to get
acquainted with us.

OUR RESOLVE FOR 1910: To serve a greater number of
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90 feet between Blanchard
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about \$1,200 per
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Awake all night with that hacking cough. Don't suffer any longer when that unparalleled remedy, Hall's

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AGENT.
W. I. BARTRAM
210 SIXTH AVENUE WEST, VANCOUVER.

FOR REEVE

To the Electors of the Municipality of Saanich:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN: I beg to announce that I am a candidate for Reeve at the approaching election. After having served as Councillor for two years, I now respectfully solicit your vote and influence for the more important position, and promise to do my utmost for the progress and betterment of our municipality.

JOSEPH NICHOLSON.

FOR MAYOR

To the Electors of the City of Victoria.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

I beg to announce that I am a candidate for Mayor at the approaching election. After having served as Alderman for three years I now respectfully solicit your vote and influence for the important position, and promise to do my utmost for the progress and betterment of our city. My views have already been published and will be more fully explained from the platform. My principal objects are:

The securing of Sooke as a water supply.

The introduction of more efficient management of the public works department.

The stricter guarding of public morals.

A systematic improvement in making and beautifying our streets and parks.

A. HENDERSON.

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SPECIAL BARGAIN—2 story house on Hillside Avenue, lot 20, \$2,500, \$200 down, balance \$20 per month.

2-ROOMED HOUSE, on Quadra street, near city, \$1900. \$300 cash; balance on terms.

24 ACRES good farming land about 10 miles from city, \$1,500, half cash.

2 LOTS, 106 ft. frontage, Douglas street, West side 110 ft. deep, between Ray and Green's, \$5,000. \$1,500 cash; bal. terms.

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BUILDING RECORD SMASHED DURING YEAR JUST CLOSED

Over Million and Half Expended in Erection of New Structures During 1909, and New Year Promises Even Greater Achievements.

Defying all previous records for building progress in the history of Victoria, the year 1909 closes with promise for even a better showing for 1910. The figures given below constitute a detailed statement for the year kindly given by Wm. W. Northcott, the building inspector, who also explained how the record this year compares with others.

The past two years—that is, 1908 and 1909, have exceeded by many thousands year in the history of the city, save the year 1892, when quite phenomenal progress was made in the building line. In that year the aggregate value of the building permits issued was \$1,045,500—sum which approaches measurably near the figures for 1909. During the year 1892 the Driard hotel building and the Public Market building were erected and these of course swelled the total to a large degree.

During the year just closed there were 520 building permits issued, aggregating in value \$1,662,000. Last year, by a strange coincidence, the number of permits issued was exactly the same, though the aggregate value of the buildings was less—being \$1,314,240.

The showing for this year would be even better than it is were it possible to present figures showing the cost of all the buildings erected in the districts closely adjacent to Victoria and which ought to be considered in any effort to compute the growth and expansion of the city. Mr. Northcott thinks a fair estimate of the number of new buildings erected in Saanich, Oak Bay and Esquimalt districts during the last twelve months is \$250,000.

Mr. Northcott points out also that it is proper to include in the estimate for Victoria a sum of about \$100,000 for alterations and repairs, for which expenditure no permits are necessary. Some of the larger buildings for which permits were issued during 1909 were the immense Pemberton block on the corner of Fort and Broad streets, the wing of the St. Ann's convent, the George Jay public school building, the public school building on May street, the Royal bank, the Chinese block on Government street between Herald and Chatham, the block built by a Chinese firm on the corner of Broad and Johnson streets, the Bannerman & Horn block, the block for the B. C. Land & Investment Co., on Langley street, the Gore block on Langley street, and on Yates street four blocks erected by Woodward, Keith Wilson, Chalmers, Mitchell & Brown, and Sylvester Bros., respectively.

The year 1910 opens with every prospect that the splendid record of 1909 will be outdistanced by several thousands of dollars. This opinion is held in view of the large number of projected buildings which have engaged or are engaging the attention of local architects. To mention a few of the business blocks which will go up during the coming season, there is the McCullum block to be erected on Douglas street, next to the Merchants Bank of Canada, the Times building on the corner of Fort and Broad streets, the addition to the Empress hotel, the Colbert block on Fort street, the Cookson block on Pandora street, and the large block which it is understood Joseph Sayward will erect at an early date, either on Douglas street or on the corner of Bastion and Government.

Following is a comparative statement for the past two years, showing the building progress month by month:

	1908.	1909.
Jan.	\$4,725	\$78,060
Feb.	72,325	122,680
March	710,900	121,640
April	128,625	188,060
May	78,235	188,620
June	74,910	90,130
July	106,670	372,120
Aug.	132,770	141,040
Sept.	53,620	140,925
Oct.	99,755	104,840
Nov.	104,710	53,385
Dec.	112,025	(not complete.)

A detailed list of the building permits issued during the year is as follows:

W. D. McGregor, dwelling, Southgate street, \$1,900.
R. H. Bell, dwelling, Fernwood road, \$2,800.
A. Cox, dwelling, Government street, \$1,900.
W. Dunford, dwelling, Dunedin road, \$2,800.
Jas. Griffin, dwelling, Hayward avenue, \$1,500.
R. Hetherington, dwelling, Chester street, \$1,850.
J. R. Phillips, dwelling, corner of Work and Hillside streets, \$1,700.
Wm. Seaworth, dwelling, Caledonia avenue, \$1,800.
C. Pottinger, dwelling, Battery street, \$2,600.
E. Coleman, brass foundry, Pembroke street, \$250.
H. R. Bellick, dwelling, Douglas street, \$1,800.
George Walton, dwelling, Esquimalt road, \$800.
J. Riddle, stable, Richmond avenue, \$150.
A. Schaper, dwelling, Quadra street, \$2,500.
C. J. Beasley, dwelling, Oswego street, \$1,500.
L. J. Quagliotti, store, Johnson street, \$500.
Salvation Army, church, Broad street, \$800.
F. F. Smith, dwelling, \$275.
C. T. Dupont, dwelling, Elford street, \$3,500.
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S. Cruickshank, dwelling, Hillside avenue, \$2,500.
J. C. Foote, dwelling, Montreal street, \$2,900.
D. R. Ker, store, Fort street, \$7,500.

Trustees of Methodist church, dwelling, Johnson street, \$4,900.
Trustees Methodist church, church, Chatham street, \$1,500.
S. A. Roberts, dwelling, McClure street, \$1,700.
Bell & Rolland, dwelling, Douglas street, \$1,550.
Bell & Rolland, dwelling, Work street, \$1,850.
J. M. Mellis, dwelling, Ladysmith street, \$750.
W. Bergstrom, dwelling, St. James street, \$150.
John Greenwood, dwelling, Pendergast street, \$1,000.
Margaret Stewart, dwelling, Cook street, \$2,800.
A. McCrimmon, dwelling, Richardson road, \$2,800.
Mrs. D. Reid, dwelling, Harbinger road, \$2,800.
A. G. Balfour, dwelling, Fort street, \$1,500.
W. H. Harris, dwelling, Richardson street, \$3,200.
Elliza Lineham, dwelling, Hilda and Chester streets, \$2,775.
Lee Cheong, store, Johnson street, \$650.
J. Mace, stable, Work street, \$200.
Mr. Archer, dwelling, Basil street, \$1,600.
Parfitt Bros., dwelling, Fernwood road, \$2,400.
Parfitt Bros., dwelling, Vining street, \$1,800.
George Fresman, dwelling, Alpha street, \$1,300.
A. McNaughton, dwelling, Flanagan street, \$1,400.
H. T. Knott, dwelling, Pandora avenue, \$2,300.
Moore & Whittington, dwelling, Princess avenue, \$1,950.
H. Erb, dwelling, Niagara street, \$1,100.
J. W. Church, school, Niagara street, \$750.
J. Fairall, dwelling, Menzies street, \$1,950.
P. P. Keon, dwelling, Queen's avenue, \$1,200.
James Keown, dwelling, Mills street, \$2,500.
C. L. Nicholas, dwelling, Medina street, \$2,500.
Hecott Bros., dwelling, Market street, \$1,800.
T. H. Slater, dwelling, Amphion street, \$250.
H. J. Bryan, Princess avenue, \$900.
Fraser & Co., store, Bastion square, \$2,000.
S. Horne, dwelling, \$1,200.
H. P. Griffin, dwelling, Hillside avenue, \$500.
W. A. Smith, dwelling, Vancouver street, \$2,500.
L. A. Berkley, store, Fort street, \$850.
J. LeGueur, both room, \$250.
E. Dunaway, addition, Chamber street, \$200.
D. Arnason, addition, Basil avenue, \$100.
Mrs. E. E. Bangfield, dwelling, Skinner street, \$1,800.
C. H. Thompson, dwelling, Pembroke street, \$1,100.
J. Pettigrew, addition, Washington avenue, \$200.
F. Partridge, dwelling, Fairfield road, \$2,700.
B. C. Land Investment Co., lavatory, Johnson street, \$600.
W. Noble, dwelling, Ontario street, \$1,500.
M. Aitken, dwelling, Ontario street, \$1,950.
D. Mair, dwelling, Cook street, \$250.
F. Burns & Co., cold storage, Douglas and Johnson streets, \$1,000.
R. Lee, dwelling, Front street, \$1,000.
Mrs. F. Leason, dwelling, Chamberlain road, \$2,400.
W. Brown, dwelling, Oxford street, \$200.
Bell & Rolland, dwelling, Quadra street, \$5,000.
James Fairall, dwelling, Niagara street, \$2,500.
Mrs. A. McPherson, dwelling, Francis avenue, \$1,950.
G. Westerdale, dwelling, Shakespeare street, \$150.
Anne M. Rollins, Flanagan street, \$1,200.
A. B. Kidd, dwelling, Seaview, \$150.
Mrs. F. Langley, addition, Fort street, \$1,200.
E. J. Martin, addition, Haultain street, \$250.
Wm. Yim & Co., alterations, Cormorant street, \$1,100.
A. Gonnason, dwelling, Dalais road, \$1,900.
J. J. Sparrow, dwelling, Blanchard street, \$1,900.
H. Fowler, dwelling, Langford street, \$1,800.
D. Webster, dwelling, Cobourg street, \$1,800.
Lee Cheong & Lee Way, stores, Johnson and Board streets, \$18,000.
Mrs. McLeod, dwelling, Frances avenue, \$900.
A. E. Matthews, dwelling, Quadra street, \$1,450.
Mr. Shandley, dwelling, Burdette avenue, \$2,700.
T. S. Gore, offices, Langley street, \$10,000.
R. Matheson, dwelling, Vancouver street, \$1,900.
J. A. Worthington, dwelling, Government street, \$3,800.
B. C. Electric Co., stores and offices, Langley and Broughton streets, \$22,000.
Mrs. M. Phillips, addition, Prior street, \$150.
J. Morrison, dwelling, Albany street, \$1,800.
Mrs. M. Catwell, addition, View street, \$150.
A. Lineham, dwelling, Dallas road, \$3,900.
Miss E. McCandlish, dwelling, Menzies street, \$2,200.
S. G. Fotherston, addition, Seaview street, \$300.
L. Heater, dwelling, Ontario street, \$1,000.
L. J. Quagliotti, theatre, Government street, \$5,000.

Mrs. H. Grange, addition, Third street, \$200.
J. Sommers, dwelling, Superior street, \$4,000.
W. Bernie, dwelling, Frances avenue, \$800.
W. Dunford & Son, dwelling, First street, \$2,750.
T. Elkington, dwelling, Princess street, \$2,400.
S. Matthews, dwelling, Princess street, \$2,500.
A. H. Mitchell, dwelling, Fernwood road, \$1,900.
D. Bell, addition, Fourth street, \$250.
D. H. Boucher, dwelling, Cedar Hill road, \$1,000.
W. Baxter, dwelling, Ladysmith street, \$1,800.
Capt. Balcom, dwelling, John street, \$2,900.
H. G. Waterson, dwelling, Johnson street, \$1,450.
F. Gasson, dwelling, Niagara street, \$1,750.
T. Gough, dwelling, Hillside avenue, \$450.
W. H. Kettle, alterations, John street, \$150.
A. P. Luxton, barn, Oak Shade lane, \$600.
Lim Dat, stores, Government street, \$35,000.
R. Sefton, alterations, Olive street, \$250.
D. Grant, alterations, Hillside avenue, \$150.
H. Harkness, addition, Pandora avenue, \$600.
W. Mould, addition, Pine street, \$800.
G. C. Mesher, work shop, Fort street, \$600.
B. C. Electric Co., store house, Pembroke street, \$3,000.
W. Stoddard, dwelling, Ontario street, \$1,800.
A. Brack, addition, Elford street, \$200.
L. J. Plake, dwelling, Niagara street, \$1,500.
J. Bartle, dwelling, Dallas road, \$200.
C. R. Serjantson, dwelling, Cook street, \$3,000.
J. L. Blakney, dwelling, Pembroke street, \$1,500.
J. E. Marks, dwelling, Bank street, \$1,600.
Victoria school board, school, Queen's and Princess avenues, \$65,000.
F. Pere, stable, Rudin street, \$200.
G. C. Mesher, vault, Fort street, \$400.
W. Shelling, stable, Burdette avenue, \$150.
A. Walter, dwelling, Skinner street, \$2,400.
Mrs. F. Mansell, addition, Pandora avenue, \$400.
J. Meyheav, dwelling, Fifth street, \$800.
A. F. Preston, dwelling, Maple street, \$1,600.
J. Webb, dwelling, Hillside avenue, \$250.
S. G. Fotherston, dwelling, Seaview street, \$350.
Mrs. M. E. Ward, addition, Caledonia avenue, \$200.
A. W. McMorran, dwelling, Comosan street, \$1,000.
George A. Porter, dwelling, Pandora street, \$4,500.
A. B. McNeill, dwelling, Fort street, \$6,000.
A. B. McNeill, dwelling, Pandora avenue, \$3,000.
Christian Scientists, hall, Pandora avenue, \$4,400.
G. Smith, dwelling, Fifth street, \$350.
J. H. Gray, stable, Victoria Crescent, \$400.
A. Wilson, dwelling, Vancouver street, \$2,300.
Wong Chu, dwelling, Acton street, \$100.
E. J. Smith, dwelling, Shakespeare street, \$1,650.
Mrs. C. Brewer, dwelling, Quadra street, \$800.
J. A. Seaward, factory, Constance street, \$1,000.
A. J. Penco, dwelling, Haultain street, \$1,800.
Mrs. J. Teague, dwelling, Yates street, \$3,200.
R. E. Blakeway, dwelling, King's road, \$1,800.
Mrs. Meles, alterations, Green street, \$200.
Mrs. A. Budd, dwelling, Speer avenue, \$3,100.
E. T. Smith, dwelling, Victoria Crescent, \$1,900.
J. H. Yeo, dwelling, Green street, \$1,800.
R. T. Elliott, dwelling, Stevenson street, \$5,200.
E. Blaquiere, dwelling, Quadra street, \$1,900.
Rev. W. L. Clay, dwelling, Linden avenue, \$4,500.
Mrs. M. Muir, alterations, Williams street, \$150.
W. J. Jones, dwelling, Shelbourne street, \$450.
J. McDonald, dwelling, South Turner street, \$2,500.
J. Dilworth, barn, Carr street, \$100.
City of Victoria, pump house, Herald street, \$3,350.
T. Deakin, dwelling, Southgate street, \$1,000.
Mc Royal Milling Co., warehouse, Store street, \$500.
Twong Jew Way, cabins, Herald street, \$2,200.
B. C. Electric Co., alterations, Store street, \$1,950.
E. Williams, dwelling, Green street, \$1,000.
J. Greenwood, dwelling, Vancouver street, \$3,300.
National Finance Co., dwelling, Princess avenue, \$2,700.
Prudential Investment Co., dwelling, Princess avenue, \$2,200.
Geo. McCandless, dwelling, Queen's avenue, \$1,900.
H. C. Martin, dwelling, Dundas street, \$1,800.
Mrs. Stoddard, barn, \$100.
E. T. Smith, dwelling, Victoria Crescent, \$900.
J. L. Hornbrook, dwelling, Alpha street, \$1,000.
Mrs. R. L. Wright, dwelling, Cowichan street, \$800.
W. C. Holt, dwelling, Burnsde road, \$1,850.
Masonic Temple Association, hall, Cormorant street, \$15,000.
J. Smithurst, dwelling, Grahame street, \$800.
Watson & McGregor, stores, Johnson street, \$900.
Wilkinson & Brown, green house, Cook street, \$1,000.
M. H. Dobie, dwelling, South Turner street, \$2,500.
W. N. Mitchell, store, Yates street, \$500.
A. Lewis, rooming house, Yates street, \$300.
Dr. G. A. B. Hall, dwelling, Collinson street, \$2,800.

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IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT IN REGARD TO THE

Baker Shoe Co's

BIG Retiring Sale

Owing to the workmen not being ready to start on the remodeling of our store we have been allowed to remain in the premises for a few days longer. We are taking advantage of this to put on

A Whirlwind Wind Up

to our big sale; have considerable stock left—the very best of our stock, quite a number of pairs have been received into the store since the sale began. We do not want to have a single pair remaining when we move out, and we are cutting our prices still lower to force them out.

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FUEL OIL NOT USED IN Lighthouse Lamps

Story Published Locally to That Effect Was a Canard.

In the marine columns of a morning contemporary of December 11th, appeared an item which turns out to have been written with a disregard for facts not unknown in those columns. It was stated that 2,000 cases of fuel oil had been sent out here for use in the British Columbia lighthouses by mistake and was now in a Victoria warehouse awaiting shipment east.

The fact are as follows: The department received a requisition from Captain Gaudin, dated 19th, February, calling for 10,000 gallons of illuminating oil (kerosene) and 3,000 gallons fuel oil for fog alarms (Pratt's Astral).

Both kerosene and Pratt's Astral are brands of oil put on the market by the Imperial Oil Co. of Canada (Standard Oil Co. U. S.).

At the time this requisition was received the department was considering tenders which had been received for the annual supply of illuminating and fuel oil and the order was placed with the lowest tenderer and subsequently shipped.

On October 26th the department received a telegram from Capt. Gaudin to the effect that the fuel oil was unsatisfactory and could not be used in the fog alarm engines, and he was wired on the same date to obtain a suitable oil to meet his requirements locally, also to forward a sample of the oil complained of to Ottawa for test. Should it be found that the oil is not satisfactory, the contractor will be called upon to supply oil in accordance with the specification and reimburse the department for any expenses which may have been incurred in this connection.

The oil complained of was never intended to be used as an illuminating oil in lighthouses, as stated in this article, and was never so used. The illuminating oil supplied was satisfactory in every respect.

The freighter Sandon is due to load at Westminster January 15th. She will take 2,000,000 feet of lumber and will load sugar at Vancouver.

CAPTAIN MURRAY GOES TO PACHENA

Appointed Coxswain of Life Saving Stations on West Coast.

The steamer Leebro, one of the chartered vessels of the marine and fisheries department, left this morning for Pachena to land Captain Murray, formerly in command of the barques Kimross and Antiope, who has been appointed coxswain of the Dominion government life saving stations on the West Coast of Vancouver Island. Captain Murray will have charge of the stations at Pachena, Banfield, Ucluelet and Clayoquot. The members of the crew for the new station will be taken by the Leebro.

A duplicate motor lifeboat to that which was wrecked last February is on the way from the factory of the builders at Bayonne, New Jersey, to be stationed at Banfield. The crew will work on the motor lifeboat at Pachena and Banfield. The work of the life saving station will now be renewed. It was discontinued at the time of the wreck of the motor lifeboat in February.

LIEUTENANT WISE WILL JOIN EGERIA

Appointment Made Transferring English Officer to Pacific.

Lieutenant E. S. Wise has been appointed to the survey ship Egeria, Pacific squadron, for the duties of assistant navigating officer. Lieutenant Wise has served on the blue for the past four and a half years, and recently passed through the Naval College with credit. He was promoted lieutenant a short time ago.

The British ship Kirkcubrightshire, with 1,292,490 feet of lumber from the Hastings mill, and the Ricardo de Soler, which is loading at Chemainus for Valparaiso, and the William H. Smith for the United Kingdom, will be towed into the Royal Roads to ship crews.

NEW WHARVES IN VICTORIA HARBOR

Plans Submitted to Ottawa by Local Firms Using Waterfront.

In the last issue of the Canada Gazette appears two notices published in accordance with the Navigable Waters Protection Act of work proposed to be done in the harbor of Victoria.

John Raymond (Raymond and Sons) gives notice that he has deposited the plans of a wharf and a description of the proposed site thereof to be constructed upon part of and in front of lots 542 A and 543 A, Victoria city, with the minister of public works at Ottawa, and a duplicate of each in the office of the Registrar General of Titles at Victoria. At the expiration of one month from December 13th, application will be made to the governor in council for the approval thereof.

The Cameron Lumber Company Ltd., is applying to the governor general in council for approval of the area plans, site and description of works proposed to be constructed in that part of the waters of Victoria Harbor known as the Schlich Water, between Point Ellice bridge and Halkett Island, being on the lands known, numbered and described as Lot "D", Garbally Estate, and has deposited the area and site plans of the proposed works and a description thereof with the minister of public works at Ottawa, and a duplicate thereof with the registrar general of titles in the Land Registry office in Victoria. The application will be proceeded with at the expiration of one month from December 25th.

SCHOONER DUXBURY CAUGHT IN ICE PACK

Holds Cargo of Furs, Ivory and Whalebone Worth \$10,000.

Word has been received from the North indicating that the gasoline schooner Duxbury is either wrecked on the shores of Behring sea or has been caught in the ice pack and forced ashore where her crew has dragged her on the beach and left the vessel to pass the winter while they are making their way over the ice to take the river trail to Southwestern Alaska.

San Waite, mate of the Duxbury, called his wife who lives at Colby, across the Sound from Seattle, that the Duxbury was on the beach and that he was coming home over the ice. The message was sent from Nome. Beyond this statement nothing is known of the whereabouts of the vessel or her crew.

The Duxbury was supposed to have left Nome some time between November 12th and November 15th, and although her non-arrival in Seattle caused some uneasiness it was thought that the vessel, which only registers twenty-three tons, was hugging the shore and coming down the coast.

The Duxbury spent the summer trading in Siberia and Arctic America and has aboard a cargo of furs, ivory and whalebone valued at considerably more than \$10,000 consigned to her Seattle owner, Capt. Jacobsen, was master of the Duxbury and she had a crew of about six men.

CRUISERS ON WATCH AT HALIBUT BANKS

Kestrel and William Joliffe Force American Boats to Open Waters.

The activity of the Canadian government fisheries steamer Kestrel, and the chartered steamer William Joliffe on the halibut banks off the northern coast of British Columbia has resulted in practically driving the non-descript American fishing fleet into Alaskan waters. During the past few months the Canadian fisheries protective steamers have been closely guarding the banks inside the three-mile limit in Hecate strait, Dixon entrance, and other northern waters, keeping American boats on the move and out of the shelter of Canadian harbors when the weather was such as to permit them to operate in the open.

This forcing of the American fishing boats out of the harbors has caused them no end of worry and financial loss, a number of steamers having lost anchors and chains lately while trying to weather out storms in the open. Whenever the weather will permit American steamers are forced to leave the protection of any harbor they may be found in.

Practically all the smaller halibut boats flying the American flag have left Canadian waters this winter because of the activity of the Canadian cruisers. They are nearly all auxiliary gasoline schooners, and are now operating on the banks of the Alaska coast. The American steamers, which are better fitted than the power boats for weathering storms in the open, are still fishing in Hecate strait, but are being kept outside the three-mile limit by the cruisers.

Unless the coal shortage on the Pacific creates a demand for tramp tonnage, there is little in sight for ships in Puget Sound. The coal strike in Australia may result in shipping from British Columbia to San Francisco and West Coast ports.

The Canadian-Australian liner Moana left Brisbane on December 22nd with 12 passengers in the saloon, 27 in the second cabin and 60 in the steerage. She is due here on January 13th, making her first trip on the run since the spring.

AMERICAN FISHING VESSEL FORFEITED

Mr. Justice Martin Gives Decision on the Woodbury.

Mr. Justice Martin, sitting in the Admiralty court at Vancouver, has ordered the confiscation of the American fishing vessel, Charles Levi Woodbury, owned by the Standard Fish Company of Seattle, and caught by the revenue cutter Kestrel fishing within the three-mile limit off the north end of Vancouver Island on April 18th last.

Mr. W. C. Brown, who appeared for the owners, admitted that they were wrongfully within the three-mile marine limit, but said they were not fishing as the wind and tide had drifted five of their dories within the limit and they had followed to pick them up when the Kestrel appeared, and brought them to line with a "round of shot."

Mr. Justice Martin held that it was clearly a continuation of fishing, as fishing included snatching. They were fishing though unwittingly, and if there was to be an appeal for the clemency of the crown, it was the duty of the court to see that the facts were brought out so that they might be presented.

Mr. D. G. Macdonell, who appeared with Mr. Farris for the crown, said he was quite prepared to accept the admission of the defendants that they were within the three-mile limit. The court then gave the order for condemnation and forfeiture. The Woodbury is at present anchored in the Fraser river. With her fishing tackle she is computed to be worth between \$2,000 and \$10,000. Owing to the circumstances of the case, an appeal will be made to Ottawa for remission of the penalty.

Captain Newcomb, of the Kestrel, however, says that it was only with great difficulty that he captured the Woodbury. He first gave five calls on the Kestrel's siren, and as this proved to be ineffective sent four rounds of five shots each after the flying vessel before she dove to. He says further, that after the capture, Captain Sinclair, of the Woodbury, refused to steer his vessel to Vancouver, and the Kestrel towed her to Bull Harbor instead.

AORANGI ON LAST TRIP SAILS TO-NIGHT

Takes Canadian Moose for the New Zealand Government.

The Canadian-Australian liner Aorangi will leave Victoria to-day for the last time according to announcement made by the company. On arrival in Sydney she will be sent on the Australian-New Zealand run, following the same course as that adopted for the Mowera.

The Aorangi will sail to-night with a cargo loaded at Vancouver and carrying a good number of passengers, six of whom will go aboard at Victoria, the rest embarking at Vancouver.

She carries also a shipment of ten Canadian moose for the New Zealand government, which will be taken on from Sydney to New Zealand on arrival. Mr. Moorhouse, agent for the New Zealand government, is in charge of the animals. Fourteen moose were shipped to Australia some time ago, but all but four of them died on the journey from the effects of the weather experienced. The majority of the number perished off Cape Flattery. Mr. Moorhouse, however, hopes to land the present consignment without mishap. The animals, which arrived safely, are reported as flourishing.

The Aorangi will carry a number of Vancouver people to Honolulu, among them being Walter O. Miller and family, Mrs. J. E. Miller, Archibald McNaughton, H. Edgett, Mr. Kilroy, and J. R. Kenyon, the latter of the Vancouver Province.

MOVEMENTS OF VESSELS

(Times Leased Wire.)

Seattle-Arrived: Steamer Umatilla, from Vancouver; steamer Queen, from San Francisco. Sailed: Steamer Mackinaw, for Astoria; steamer Yosemite, for San Francisco; steamer Ketchikan-Arrived: Steamer Cottage, from Seattle; steamer Northland, from Sitka.

Belfast-Arrived: British steamer Earl of Douglas, from Portland, Ore., etc., via St. Vincent.

Dover-Sailed: German steamer Salatia, from Tacoma, San Francisco, etc., via Havre, for Hamburg.

San Francisco-Arrived: Steamer Buckman, from Seattle. Sailed: Ship Governor Roberts, for Port Townsend; steamer Senator, for Seattle; steamer Watson, for Seattle; steamer Newburg, for Grays Harbor.

Aberdeen-Sailed: Steamer Capitano, for San Francisco; steamer Sveator, for San Francisco; steamer G. C. Lindauer, for San Francisco; steamer Fair Oaks, for San Francisco.

Hogiam-Sailed: Steamer Grays Harbor, for San Francisco; steamer Doris, for San Francisco; steamer Tacoma-Sailed: Steamer Ethel Zane, for San Pedro; barquentine Amazon, for Sydney, Australia.

Los Angeles-Arrived: Steamer President, from Seattle; steam schooner Jim Butler, from Grays Harbor; steam schooner Shasta, from Bellingham. Sailed: Steam schooner Chetah, for Grays Harbor.

The big freighter Strategia is taking aboard a record cargo at Westminster, and when she sails about a week hence for Australia she will have about 3,000,000 feet of lumber. The timber is mining lumber for Australia.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

Rocks Located.

Capt. J. F. Parry, R.N., H. M. surveying ship Egeria, furnishes the following information respecting rocks located in Beaver and Schooner passages, and approach from Hecate strait.

(a) In the centre of Beaver passage, a rocky patch, marked by kelp, has been found. Latitude north 53 degs. 45 min. 15 sec.; longitude west 120 degs. 19 min. 0 sec.

From it, Connel's Island bears north 82 degs. 30 min. west, distant 0.32 mile; Wooded islet bears north 61 degs. 30 min. east, distant 0.36 mile; and south Twin Island bears north 44 degs. 30 min. west, distant 2.13 miles.

There is a depth of 12 feet at low water, situated on the western edge of the patch; and depths of 45 fathoms at a distance of 150 yards to the westward of the shoal head.

Note.-The southern and larger of two small islands lying in the centre of the south entrance to Schooner passage in the following descriptions of positions for (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) and (g), is indicated by (x).

The southernmost detached islet of the Christie group of islands in the following descriptions of position for (d), (e), (f) and (g), is indicated by (x).

(b) In the centre of Schooner passage, a small rocky head, marked by kelp, with a depth of 12 feet at low water, lies 0.85 mile north 1 deg. east from (x). Latitude north 53 degs. 46 min.; longitude west 120 degs. 24 min.

(c) In the centre of Schooner passage, a very small rocky head, marked by kelp, with a depth of 12 feet at low water, lies 0.41 mile north 5 degs. west from (x). Latitude north 53 degs. 45 min.; longitude west 120 degs. 24 min. 15 sec.

The two fathoms rock now shown on the published chart is evidently intended for this danger.

Note.-The dangers (b) and (c) in Schooner passage must be placed on the published chart only by using bearings and distances as given, all other objects being too much in error in position to be used.

(d) In the southern entrance to Schooner passage, a small rocky shoal, marked by kelp, with a depth of 18 feet at low water, has been found. Latitude north 53 degs. 44 min. 15 sec.; longitude west 120 degs. 24 min. 9 sec.

From the shoal, (x) bears north 1 deg. 45 min. west, distant 1.41 miles; and (x) bears north 83 degs. east, distant 0.35 mile.

(e) In the southern entrance to Schooner passage, marked by kelp, with a depth of 24 feet at low water, has been found. Latitude north 53 degs. 43 min. 30 sec.; longitude west 120 degs. 26 min. 0 sec.

From the rocky patch, (x) bears north 6 degs. 15 min. west, distant 1.39 miles; and (x) bears north 18 degs. 45 min. east, distant 0.32 mile.

(f) In the southern entrance to Schooner passage, a small detached rock, which dries 4 feet at low water, has been found. Latitude north 53 degs. 44 min. 45 sec.; longitude west 120 degs. 27 min. 45 sec.

From the rock, (x) bears north 44 degs. 30 min. east, distant 1.73 miles; and (x) bears south 85 degs. 15 min. east, distant 1.60 miles.

(g) In the southern entrance to Schooner passage, a very small rocky head, marked by kelp, with a depth of 18 feet at low water, has been found. Latitude north 53 degs. 44 min. 45 sec.; longitude west 120 degs. 27 min. 45 sec.

From the rock, (x) bears north 37 degs. 15 min. east, distant 1.50 miles; and (x) bears south 82 degs. 15 east, distant 1.31 miles.

Note.-To avoid dangers reported in (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) and (g) when approaching Schooner passage from the southward, bring Anchor mountain in transit with (x) on a north 7 1/2 degs. east bearing, and when half a mile from (x), alter course to pass midway between (x) and the rocky point of Dolphin Island lying immediately to the westward of it; after passing the island close the shore of Dolphin Island to a distance of 120 yards until past the 12 foot rocks.

(h) Off the northwest side of Banks Island, a small rocky head, marked by kelp, with a depth of 18 feet at low water, has been found. Latitude north 53 degs. 35 min. 45 sec.; longitude west 130 degs. 29 min. 45 sec.

From the rock, Denman islet bears north 57 degs. 30 min. east, distant 1.11 miles; islet (x) bears north 53 degs. 41 min. 45 sec. south 41 degs. 45 min. west, distant 2.59 miles; and rock (awash at high water) bears south 19 degs. west, distant 0.93 mile.

(i) Off the northwest side of Banks Island, a small detached rocky head, lying on the outer edge of the kelp edge, tending off the coast, with a depth of 6 feet at low water, has been found. Latitude north 53 degs. 35 min. 30 sec.; longitude west 130 degs. 31 min. 30 sec.

From this danger, rock (awash at high water) bears south 77 degs. east, distant 0.25 mile; and islet (30) inside White rocks bears south 44 degs. 15 min. west, distant 1.60 miles.

Electric Cable.

A high voltage electric cable has been laid by the British Columbia Electric Railway Company across the entrance of Esquimalt harbor, in 8 fathoms, from a point on the shore line about 450 feet westward of the west side of the government graving dock, in latitude north 48 degs. 25 min. 54 sec., longitude west 123 degs. 25 min. 42 sec., to a point (about 1 1/2 cables northward of Rodd point) in the western shore of the harbor in a direction bearing approximately south 78 degs. west, distant 5 1/2 cables, in latitude north 48 degs. 28 min. 7 sec., longitude west 123 degs. 26 min. 32 sec.

Each landing place is designed by a white sign with the words "Cable crossing" painted thereon. Mariners are instructed not to anchor in the vicinity of this cable.

Light and Wireless Station.

A lighthouse and wireless telegraph station is being established by the government of Canada on Triangle Island, the most westerly island of the Scott group lying west of Cape Scott, Vancouver Island. Latitude north 50 degs. 51 min. 45 sec.; longitude west 129 degs. 4 min. 50 sec.

Further particulars will be given before the light and telegraph are put in operation.

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PROMOTION RULE IN ONCE CASE, NOT IN OTHER

What is Good for Kamloops is Not Good for Victoria.

At a meeting of the provincial executive yesterday the resignation was accepted of George Christie Tunstall, who has been for many years government agent, gold commissioner, registrar of lands, etc., at Kamloops. E. T. W. Pearce, mining recorder, is promoted to fill the position, and E. Fisher is promoted to the office of mining recorder. Mr. Tunstall retires upon superannuation.

In a local case the principle of promotion has not been followed, bearing out the rumors mentioned by the Times a few days ago. J. K. Worsfold, provincial assessor, is to be superannuated, his resignation being accepted. Instead of promotion in the office an outside man is to be brought in. The name of E. E. Leason, who conducted the Conservative campaign in Victoria during the recent election, is mentioned as that of the probable successor to Mr. Worsfold.

P. A. Gospe, Nelson, has been appointed as an inspector of steam boilers, with headquarters at Vancouver. He will take office from to-morrow. It has been decided to appoint but one additional inspector at present instead of two.

TENEMENT FIRE.

Score of Persons Injured, Five Fatally in New York.

New York City, Dec. 31.-A score of persons were injured, five fatally, in a tenement fire, on Belmont avenue yesterday. Six of the injured are firemen, overcome by smoke.

DOG SUFFERED FROM RABIES.

Galt, Ont., Dec. 31.-Dominion Veterinary Director, Rutherford, has informed the local health officer that the dog destroyed here after having bitten eight persons was suffering from rabies, as an inoculation test caused the death of several rabbits.

SHIPPING REPORT

(By Dominion Wireless.)

Tatoosh, Dec. 31, 8 a. m.-Cloudy; calm; wind westerly, 18 miles; bar, 29.91; temp., 35; sea moderate. Out, schooner, at 6 a. m.

Cape Lazo, Dec. 31, 8 a. m.-Cloudy; calm; wind N. W.; bar, 29.65; temp., 31; sea smooth.

Point Grey, Dec. 31, 8 a. m.-Cloudy; calm; bar, 29.63; temp., 31; sea smooth.

Pachena, Dec. 31, 8 a. m.-Cloudy; calm; bar, 29.61; temp., 30; sea moderate.

Estevan, Dec. 31, 8 a. m.-Cloudy; calm; bar, 29.79; temp., 30; sea moderate.

Tatoosh, Dec. 31, noon.-Cloudy; calm; wind S. E., 3 miles; bar, 29.82; temp., 40; sea smooth.

Cape Lazo, Dec. 31, noon.-Clear; calm; wind N. W.; bar, 29.76; temp., 34; sea smooth.

Point Grey, Dec. 31, noon.-Clear; calm; bar, 29.72; temp., 33; sea smooth.

Pachena, Dec. 31, noon.-Clear; calm; bar, 29.69; temp., 33; sea moderate.

Estevan, Dec. 31, noon.-Clear; calm; bar, 29.81; temp., 41; sea smooth.

Five steamers have been chartered to load coal at Moll for San Francisco. They will aggregate 30,000 tons of Japanese coal. The vessels are the British steamer River Clyde, chartered by J. J. Moore & Co., which steamed from a Japanese port yesterday; the British steamer Strathgairn, now at Manila, has been chartered by Hind, Ralph & Co., and the Norwegian steamer Hercules; the British steamer Seminole and the British steamer Hazel Dollar have been fixed by the Western Fuel Company.

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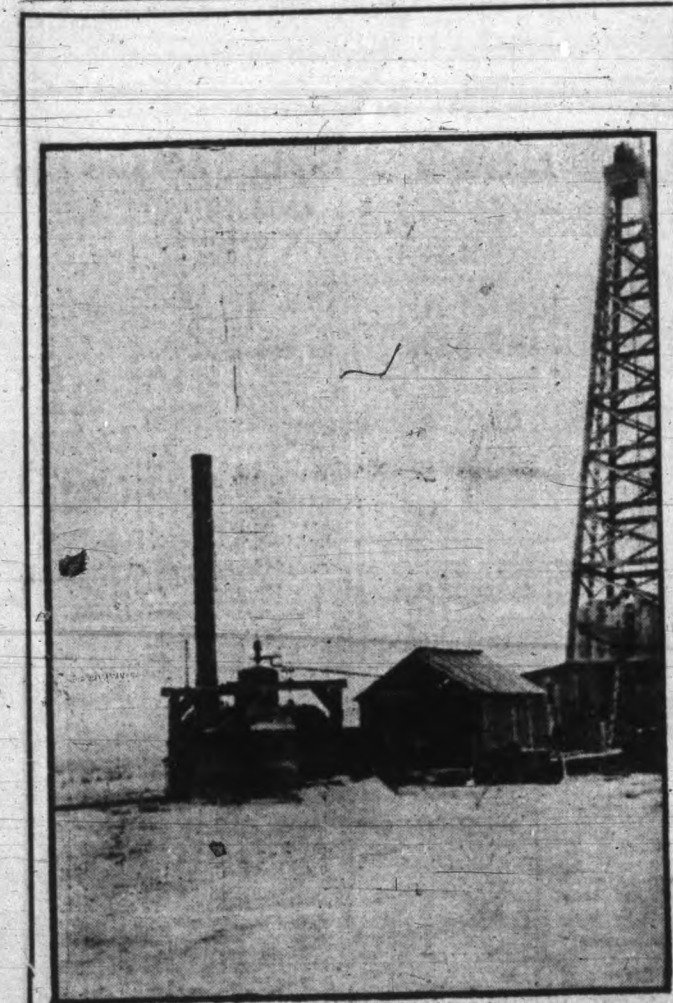
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CANADIAN CUSTOMS REVENUE FOR YEAR

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(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Dec. 31.—The customs revenue for Canada for the year ending to-day totals \$56,890,847, an increase of \$9,500,000 over last year. The customs revenue for December totals \$5,256,611, an increase of \$1,381,593 over December last year.

The collections for the month were the heaviest for any one month in the history of the Dominion. It is expected that at the close of the present fiscal year the customs revenue will have reached the record mark of \$60,000,000.

NEW YORK STOCKS

(By Courtesy F. W. Stevenson & Co.)

New York, Dec. 31.		High.	Low.	Mid.
Alb. Chalmers, prof.	55	54	54	54 1/2
Amal. Copper	90 1/2	89 1/2	89 1/2	90
Amer. Car & Foundry	72 1/2	72	72	72 1/2
Amer. Cot. Oil	57 1/2	57	57	57 1/2
Amer. Ice	203	202	202	202 1/2
Amer. Loco.	611	609	609	610
Amer. Smelting	104 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2	104
Amer. Tel.	141 1/2	141	141	141 1/2
Amoco	54 1/2	54	54	54 1/2
Atchafalpa	122 1/2	122	122	122 1/2
Do, pref.	100 1/2	100	100	100 1/2
B. & O.	118 1/2	118	118	118 1/2
B. R. T.	304 1/2	304	304	304 1/2
C. & O.	51 1/2	51	51	51 1/2
C. & G. W.	374 1/2	374	374	374 1/2
Do, pref.	640 1/2	640	640	640 1/2
C. & N. W.	182 1/2	182	182	182 1/2
C. M. & St. P.	137 1/2	137	137	137 1/2
Central Leather	48 1/2	48	48	48 1/2
C. F. & L.	509 1/2	509	509	509 1/2
Celo. Sou.	57 1/2	57	57	57 1/2
Do, 1st pref.	812 1/2	812	812	812 1/2
Con. Gas	139 1/2	139	139	139 1/2
Hocking Coal	91 1/2	91	91	91 1/2
Corn Products	23 1/2	23	23	23 1/2
D. & R. G.	511 1/2	511	511	511 1/2
Distillers	304 1/2	304	304	304 1/2
Erie	34 1/2	34	34	34 1/2
Do, 1st pref.	511	509	509	510
Do, 2nd pref.	412 1/2	412	412	412 1/2
G. N. pref.	143 1/2	143	143	143 1/2
Ill. Cen.	167 1/2	167	167	167 1/2
Inter. Metro.	25 1/2	25	25	25 1/2
Do, pref.	622 1/2	622	622	622 1/2
Int. Pump	32 1/2	32	32	32 1/2
Iowa Central, pref.	53 1/2	53	53	53 1/2
L. & N.	157 1/2	157	157	157 1/2
M. & K. T.	71 1/2	70	70	70 1/2
Mo. Pac.	71 1/2	71	71	71 1/2
N. Y. C.	123 1/2	123	123	123 1/2
N. Y. O. & W.	49 1/2	49	49	49 1/2
Pacific Coast	111 1/2	111	111	111 1/2
Pacific Mail	42 1/2	42	42	42 1/2
Pensy.	137 1/2	137	137	137 1/2
People's Gas	116 1/2	116	116	116 1/2
Pittsburg Coal	34 1/2	34	34	34 1/2
Do, pref.	341 1/2	341	341	341 1/2
Reading	312 1/2	312	312	312 1/2
Rep. Steel, pref.	171 1/2	170	170	170 1/2
Rock Island	53 1/2	53	53	53 1/2
Do, pref.	512 1/2	512	512	512 1/2
S. P.	313 1/2	313	313	313 1/2
S. N. Ry.	332 1/2	332	332	332 1/2
Tenn. Copper	404 1/2	404	404	404 1/2
Texas Pac.	37 1/2	37	37	37 1/2
Third Ave.	15 1/2	15	15	15 1/2
U. R.	104 1/2	104	104	104 1/2
U. S. Steel	912 1/2	912	912	912 1/2
Do, pref.	1021 1/2	1021	1021	1021 1/2
Utah Copper	61 1/2	61	61	61 1/2
Va. Car Chem.	272 1/2	272	272	272 1/2
Wabash	54 1/2	54	54	54 1/2
Do, pref.	614 1/2	614	614	614 1/2
Western Union	71 1/2	71	71	71 1/2
Wls. Cen.	49 1/2	49	49	49 1/2
Am. Beet Sugar	46 1/2	46	46	46 1/2
K. C. Southern	44 1/2	44	44	44 1/2
U. S. Rubber	55 1/2	55	55	55 1/2

Vancouver Stock Exchange

(By Courtesy F. W. Stevenson & Co.)

Vancouver, Dec. 31. Bid Asked.

Listed Stocks	Bid	Asked
Alberta Canadian Oil	10	10 1/2
Alberta Coal & Coke	5	5 1/2
International Coal & Coke	7 1/2	7 3/4
Lucky Jim Zinc Mines	46	46 1/2
Lorillard Canal Mining	23	23 1/2
Stewart M. & D. Co.	220	220 1/2
Western Coal & Coke	130	130 1/2
Burton Saw Works	90	90 1/2
Great West Permanent	107	107 1/2
Unlisted Stocks		
B. C. Permanent Loan	125	125 1/2
B. C. Trust Corporation	95	95 1/2
Dominion Trust Co.	104	104 1/2
Northern Crown Bank	104	104 1/2
Crown Certificates	94	94 1/2
Pacific Whaling, pref.	75	75 1/2
American Canadian Oil	8	8 1/2
B. C. Copper Co.	73	73 1/2
Canadian Con. S. & R.	12	12 1/2
Canadian Northwest Oil	15	15 1/2
Cariboo Camp McKinney	2	2 1/2
Diamond Vale Coal & Iron	107	107 1/2
Granby Oil	107	107 1/2
Nicola Valley Coal & Coke	70	70 1/2
Rambler Cariboo	8	8 1/2
Royal Collieries	251	251 1/2
S. A. Scrip	200	200 1/2
500 Portland Canal	24	24 1/2
100 Stewart M. & D. Co.	230	230 1/2
500 International Coal	70	70 1/2

VICTORIA STOCK EXCHANGE

(By Courtesy N. B. Maymuth & Co.)

American Canadian Oil	Bid	Asked
B. C. Amalgamated Coal	92	92 1/2
B. C. Permanent Loan	125	125 1/2
B. C. Refining Co.	90	90 1/2
B. C. Copper	73	73 1/2
Bakeries, Limited	7 1/2	7 3/4
Canadian Northwest Oil	15	15 1/2
Diamond Coal	46	46 1/2
Diamond Vale Coal & Iron	107	107 1/2
Great West Permanent	107	107 1/2
International Coal & Coke	7 1/2	7 3/4
McIntyre Creek Coal	25	25 1/2
Nicola Valley Coal & Coke	70	70 1/2
North Marble Quarries	5 1/2	5 3/4
Northern Bank Certificates	96	96 1/2
Crown Certificates	94	94 1/2
Northern Oil	98	98 1/2
Pacific Loco.	23	23 1/2
Pacific Whaling (pref.)	75	75 1/2
Portland Canal Mining	22	22 1/2
Rambler Cariboo	8	8 1/2
Royal Collieries	251	251 1/2
South African Scrip	200	200 1/2
Silica Brick	1 1/2	1 1/4
Stewart M. & D. Co.	220	220 1/2
United Wireless (unstamped)	19 1/2	19 3/4
Victoria Trans. & C.	50	50 1/2
Western Coal & Coke	130	130 1/2
Capital Furniture Co.	5 1/2	5 3/4
Pingree Mines, Ltd.	60 1/2	60 3/4
Canadian Marconi	1 1/2	1 1/4

San Francisco Markets

(Times Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 31.—Wheat—Australian and Propo, \$2.01@2.15; Sonora, \$1.95@2.05; Northern wheat, Bluestem, \$2.00@2.10; Club, \$1.95@2.05; Turkey, \$1.95@2.05; Russian red, \$1.90@2.00.

Barley—Red barley, \$1.00@1.10; common to fair, \$1.00@1.10; brewing and shipping, \$1.05@1.15; Chevalier, nominal.

Wheat—Per bush, California fresh, including cases, E. E. extras, 30c; firsts, 30c; storage, extras, 30c.

Butter—Per pound, California fresh, extras, 30c; firsts, 30c; seconds, 28c; early, 28c; extras, 30c; do, ladies, 30c; do, firsts, 30c.

New Cheese—Per pound, new California flats, fancy, 15c; firsts, 14c; seconds, 13c; do, California Young America, fancy, 15c; firsts, 14c; Eastern New York, fancy, 15c; do, 14c; Eastern, 14c; do, Oregon, 14c; do, Young America, 14c; storage, California flats, fancy, 14c; firsts, 13c; Young America, fancy, 14c; Wisconsin, singles, fancy, 14c.

Potatoes—Per cental, River White, 25c; do, for choice to choice California Club, \$1.50@1.60; do, for choice to choice California Club, \$1.50@1.60; do, for choice to choice California Club, \$1.50@1.60.

Onions—Per cental, River White, 25c; do, for choice to choice California Club, \$1.50@1.60; do, for choice to choice California Club, \$1.50@1.60; do, for choice to choice California Club, \$1.50@1.60.

Oranges—Per box, new navela, choice, \$1.50@1.60; do, new Tangerine, \$1.50@1.60; do, new Tangerine, \$1.50@1.60.

WILL KEEP SILENT FOR SIX DAYS

Zelaya Accepts Advice of Diaz and Refuses to Talk to Reporters.

(Times Leased Wire.)

Mexico City, Dec. 31.—That President Diaz has given Jose Santos Zelaya a little friendly advice in regard to talking to newspaper representatives, and whispered in his ear that it would be wise for him to refrain expressing his opinions too freely, was admitted by Zelaya's secretary to-day when he returned a card to a newspaper man with the remark that the ex-dictator of Nicaragua had just adopted a policy of refusing to be interviewed, and have nothing more to say for publication for six days. Why six days was named he would not explain.

In refusing to see one reporter, Zelaya, through his secretary, told him that he wished to avoid being the means of bringing Mexico into the controversy in any way.

Zelaya was received by President Diaz as a private citizen.

It is said that Zelaya intends to leave the Mexican capital before Sunday, but the report cannot be confirmed.

THREATENS TO DESTROY UNITED STATES SENATE

(Times Leased Wire.)

Chicago, Dec. 31.—A letter written to a Chicago newspaper stating that the writer had only six months to live and that he intended to blow up the United States senate with nitro-glycerine, caused the federal operatives and Chicago police to hurriedly search the city to-day.

The letter was at first thought to be a hoax, but it is now believed to have been from a serious man, who has been driven irrational by thoughts of death.

Federal Prosecutor Sims and Post-office Inspector Stuart conferred to-day and decided to treat the communication seriously and run down the author of the letter immediately.

The letter in part says: "I am going to blow up the dishonorable body called the United States senate, as its grafting members have plundered the public long enough."

FALL MAY PROVE FATAL

Oregon Centennial Falls on Doorstep When Returning From Shopping Trip.

Spokane, Wash., Dec. 31.—"Grand" Fredmore, of La Grande, Ore., said, "I am a man of 60, living alone at a cottage in North La Grande, is suffering from a fall and may live but a short time."

Mr. Fredmore, who lives nearly a mile from the heart of the city, had walked up town a week ago to do some shopping, and when home after the trip fell on his doorstep, injuring himself severely.

Friends watch over him, but even in his helpless state he is chagrined to need others near him.

PLUMBERS MAY STRIKE

New York City, Dec. 31.—Plumbers and steam fitters of New York are threatening a strike, beginning Monday next. The unions demand a day with no Saturday work.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE

Thessalon, Ont., Dec. 31.—A serious fire broke out here this morning and before it was checked destroyed half the town, including many business places. The loss will be heavy.

DETAILS OF TARIFF REFORM DEMANDED

(Continued from page 1.)

upon Lancashire, Cheshire and Yorkshire whether victory should be won or lost.

Simple Issue, Says McKenna.

Mr. McKenna, speaking at Pontpool, maintained that the issue was a very simple one. It was "Who was to determine how people should be taxed and by what government they should be ruled."

Earl Cawdor, on the other hand, declared that the real issues the electors had to decide were, did they really wish that any government might come into power should be absolutely independent, did they wish for religious education and to see the licensing trade unjustly treated, did they wish to set up a hostile port in Ireland, or to see the navy maintained at such strength as was needed?

Mr. Buxton, speaking in Tower Hamlets, said Mr. Balfour's position, as far as tariff reform was concerned, was a pitiable and ignominious one. He had been driven step by step to accept the nauseous food given him—had been compulsorily fed by tariff reformers. He had resisted as much as possible, but warders and doctors, like Chamberlain, Chaplin and others had been too much for him.

Lord Portsmouth, at Crediton, thought the best way to reform the Lords would be by selection by qualification. He desired to see the second chamber remodelled on a representative election basis.

Disorderly Scenes.

F. E. Smith carried unionists into Lloyd George's own constituency, Carnarvon, in support of Lloyd George's opponent, H. E. Vincent, on Wednesday night, with the inevitable result of disorderly scenes. The unionists had taken unusual precautions. A strong body of three hundred local stewards had been organized, supplemented by strong drafts from among the Unionist quarries employed at Lord Penryn's quarries at Bethesda, and the still larger quarries of Ashton Smith at Llanberis. Amid great interruption and frequent hubbub, Mr. Smith showed how under free trade Carnar-

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MANHATTAN BRIDGE

Retiring Mayor of New York Officials at Opening.

(Times Leased Wire.)

New York, Dec. 31.—The Manhattan bridge, the third largest suspension span in the world, which is now open to traffic, was hurried to completion in order that the retiring mayor of New York, George B. McClellan, might officiate at to-day's opening exercises.

So far as its passenger capacity is concerned the new bridge will be the most important spanning the East river. Eight tracks are being laid across it and the cars and trains will be able to handle 11,000 passengers a minute, or 1,440,000 a day. Its roadway for vehicles is between the railway tracks and is forty feet wide. There are two foot paths, each 12 feet wide, on the outer edge of the bridge.

The first caisson for the new bridge was sunk in 1902, but the work was delayed because it was found there would have to be a change in design.

The altered plans and the whole work of construction was carried out by the present commissioner of bridges.

The span from tower to tower measures 1,470 feet. This is five feet longer than the Brooklyn bridge and 370 feet less than the Williamsburg bridge.

MAY SUE STANDARD OIL

Independents Will Begin Suits If Supreme Court Upholds Order For Dissolution.

Springfield, Mass., 31.—Several thousand damage suits against the Standard Oil Company, of New Jersey, will be instituted by the independent oil refiners if the United States Supreme court upholds the decision of the Circuit court of the Missouri district, ordering the corporation dissolved.

Thomas L. Hagen, president of the Independent Petroleum Marketers Association, yesterday announced that the independents would base their proceedings under the section of the Sherman law, providing that any person or company injured by a corporation may bring action against it for fourfold damages.

Winnipeg Bank Clearings.

Winnipeg, Dec. 31.—The bank clearings for the month of December totaled \$86,477,042 for the year 1909. The clearings amounted to \$70,648,322.

PUBLIC MEETING

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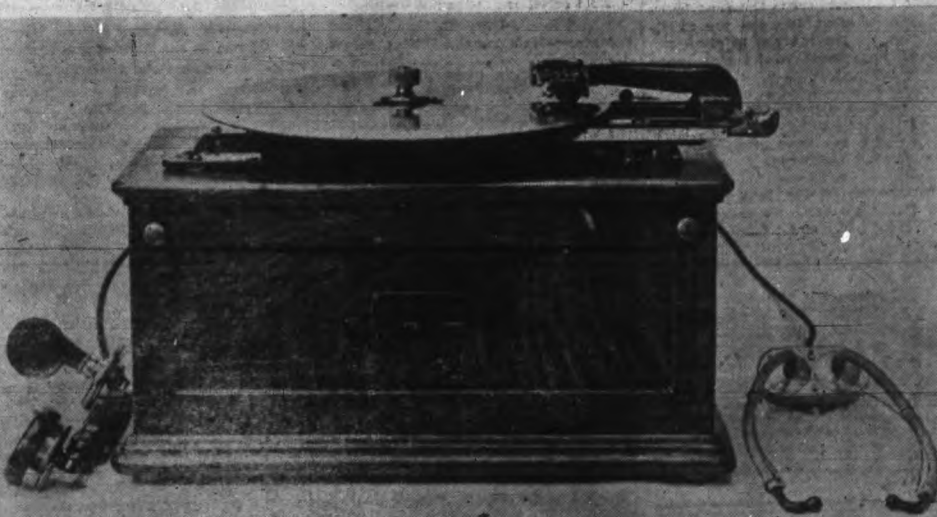
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The accompanying illustration shows one of the many types of Telegraphones which will shortly be available for the office, the home or the dining room.

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Orders for these wonderful machines are now being taken for delivery serially, the prices for

LETTER OF THE HEALTH OFFICER

DR. ROBERTSON AND
ISOLATION HOSPITAL

Reasons Why He Asked for Dismissal of the Matron.

Dr. Hermann Robertson, medical health officer, has handed the appended letter to the Times for publication. It is dated December 20th, and has, therefore, been before the board of health for ten days. Dr. Robertson says his letter has elicited no reply, nor has he been informed that any definite action is promised in the immediate future. He feels that, in justice to himself, the public should be made aware that he, as officer in charge of the welfare of the city in respect to measures for the protection of health, has done every thing in his power to place the affairs of the isolation hospital on a proper basis, and has therefore asked the Times to publish the letter which is as follows:

Victoria, B. C., 20th Dec., 1909.
To the Local Board of Health,
Victoria, B. C.

Dear Sirs,—At a special meeting of the local board of health held December 14th, 1909, I made certain observations regarding the actions of the matron of the isolation hospital, and in order that there may be no misunderstanding regarding my statements, I beg to be allowed the privilege of restating the main points of my complaints in respect to Mrs. King's failure in duty to myself, as head of the hospital, and to the parents of the child against whose nurse she makes a very grave charge. The child in question was admitted to the hospital under the care of Dr. George Hall, suffering from a malignant type of diphtheria, and died on 13th July, 1909. On Sunday, 17th November, 1909, nearly four months afterwards, the mother of the child telephoned to me and informed me that Mrs. King had just run her up and had told her that the child had been ill-used by the nurse in charge of it. This was the first intimation I had of the alleged ill-treatment of the little patient, and immediately I proceeded to the hospital, and in the presence of Mr. and Mrs. King, the nurse in question, and her brother, I repeated the accusation Mrs. King was making to have made to the mother of the child. When she acknowledged to me, in the presence of the above-mentioned parties, that she had told the child's mother that day of the alleged ill-treatment it had suffered at the hands of the nurse I decided that the charge was of such a grave nature as could only be satisfactorily investigated by a court of law, as Mrs. King and the nurse flatly contradicted each other. What I charge against Mrs. King is her failure to have at once reported to me, as head of the institution, the circumstances of the alleged offence, as I am there to see that all patients receive the best attention and kindest care. But she allowed nearly four months to elapse before she divulged her harrowing story, and then not to me, but to the child's mother, from whom I gained the information.

Except to inform the mayor of the above facts I did nothing further in the matter, as it was to come before the courts. Within the last two weeks her attitude towards me has been intolerable, going so far as to attack me within the hearing of the patients in the scarlet fever ward, applying very insulting epithets. And for these reasons, and that many of the nurses have from time to time been subjected to her overbearing and inconsiderate treatment, I am feeling that I have good grounds for asking for her removal. I feel that I cannot repose the confidence which should exist between the medical officer and the matron in charge.

I have the honor to be, sir, your obedient servant.

The regular practice of the Arion Club, which was to have been held on Monday night, has been postponed until the Monday following.

The funeral of the late Frederick G. La Penotiere took place yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the parlors of the B. C. Funeral Furnishing Company, under the auspices of St. Andrew's Lodge, A. F. and A. M. Services were conducted at the parlors by Rev. C. E. Cooper. The hymn "Nearer My God to Thee" was sung. At the graveside the last rites of the Masonic order were conducted by Worshipful Master Bro. G. T. Fox, assisted by Chaplain Bro. C. E. Cooper. The following members of the Masonic Lodge acted as pallbearers: Henry Croft, C. E. Hayward, E. H. Hewit, J. H. McGregor, R. C. Wilson and S. C. Court.

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CITY CHURCHES

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ANGLICAN.

St. James', Quebec street, corner of St. John. Rector, Rev. J. H. S. Sweet. On Sunday the services will be as follows: Mass and sermon at 11, celebration of the holy communion at 12, children's service at 2:30, evening and sermon at 7:30. Music follows:

Morning.
Organ Voluntary Cathedral Psalter
Venite and Psalms Hopkins in G
Te Deum Langdon
Hymns 10 and 72
Kyrie Woodward
Sanctus Woodward
Comm. Hymn Pelton
Organ Voluntary Pelton

Evening.
Organ Voluntary Cathedral Psalter
Psalms Hopkins in G
Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis Smart in F
Hymns 72, 73 and 74
Vesper hymn Caffie
Organ Voluntary Pelton

Christ Church Cathedral, Burdette avenue. Order of services follows:

Morning.
Organ-Andante Batista
Venite Cathedral Psalter
Te Deum Smart in F
Jubilate Smart in F
Kyrie and Gloria Smart
Hymns 48 and 54
Organ-Prelude Gullman

Evening.
Organ-Pastorale Dinelli
Processional Hymn 98
Psalms-As set Smart
Magnificat Smart
Nunc Dimittis Smart
Hymns 92 and 99
Anthem-Blessed Be the Lord God-Simper Amen Stainer
Organ-Postlude Maril
Recessional Hymn 508

St. Mark's, Boleskine road. Morning prayer, holy communion and sermon by Rev. W. Barton at 11, evening and sermon by the Bishop at 7.

Royal Jubilee hospital Pemberton chapel. Holy communion, 8 a. m.; service and sermon by the Bishop at 3 p. m. Hymns 106, 72 and 103. It is hoped that residents in the neighborhood will avail themselves of these services. They will be heartily welcomed.

CONGREGATIONAL.

First, corner of Pandora avenue and Blanchard street. Public worship at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Rev. Hermon A. Carson, B. A., will preach. At the conclusion of the evening service the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated. Theme of the morning sermon, "The Challenge of the New Year to Service"; evening subject, "Looking Straight Ahead." Bible school, men's own Bible class and adult Bible class for women at 2:30 p. m. The Y. P. S. of W. W.'s and the prayer meeting of Thursday are omitted in favor of the union week of prayer meetings. Strangers, visitors and friends are always cordially welcomed.

PRESBYTERIAN.

St. Columba, Hulton street, off Oak Bay Ave. Rev. Dr. Whittier, pastor. Services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sabbath school and Bible class at 2:30 p. m. Prayer meeting on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. All are cordially invited. The music follows:

Morning.
Psalms 8 and 42
Hymns 418 and 422

Evening.
Psalm 21
Hymn 419 and 421
Anthem-Praise Ye the Father 478
Hymn 478

St. Andrew's, Douglas street, corner of Broughton street. Services will be held at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sabbath school and Bible class at 2:30 p. m. Prayer meeting on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. All are cordially invited. The music follows:

Morning.
Voluntary-Meditation in D Flat, St. Clair Psalm 12
Solo-Lead Kindly Light Wiegand
Mrs. Bridges

Hymns 81, 471 and 479
Voluntary-Offertoire Read

Evening.
Voluntary-Jerusalem, the Golden Dr. Spierke
Hymn 476
Anthem-O, Worship the King, E. V. Hall
Soprano Solo, Mrs. W. E. Staneland
Hymns 478 and 477
Solo-Out of the Deep Marks
J. P. Marsh

Voluntary-March of the Israelites, Costa

First, corner of Blanchard and Pandora streets. Rev. Dr. Campbell, minister. Services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Adult Bible class and Sunday school at 2:30. Club meeting on Monday evening. On Sunday evening the subject of sermon will be "The Key to the Temporal and Spiritual Success of Young People." The choir will render suitable songs for the beginning of the New Year. Strangers welcome to all the meetings.

Knox, Stanley avenue. Pastor, Rev. Jos. McCoy, M. A. Services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sabbath school and Bible class at 2:30 p. m. Prayer meeting, Thursday, 8 o'clock. Choir practice, Friday, same hour. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered on Sabbath morning next. Anthem in morning, "The Lord is My Shepherd," by Packard; in evening, "The Radiant Morn," by Woodward.

METHODIST.

Centennial, corner Gorge road and David street. The pastor, Rev. A. Henderson, will preach at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. In the morning a New Year's sermon entitled "Another Milestone in Life's Journey"; evening subject, "The Continuation of Health."

Morning Hymns.
66.....Safely Through Another Week
80.....Hallelujah, Hallelujah
80.....Sing to the Great Jehovah's Praise

Evening Hymns
24.....Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty
24.....Come Ye That Love the Lord
74.....At Even Ere the Sun Was Set

In addition to these hymns the choir under the leadership of Frederick Waddington, will supply a programme of carefully selected and appropriate music.

Victoria West, Wilson street. Divine service at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday school and adult Bible class, 2:30 p. m.

Special New Year's service Sunday evening next. Bible study, "The Gospel of St. Matthew," at the morning service. United prayer services next Thursday, 8 p. m. Rev. Jos. McCoy will deliver a short address. A hearty welcome to all. A. E. Roberts, pastor.

James Bay, corner of Michigan and Douglas streets. A. N. Miller, pastor. Public worship at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Morning subject, "Renewing the Covenant," evening subject, "New Year's Day." Sunday school and adult classes at 2:30 p. m. Prayer meeting on Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Metropolitan, corner of Pandora and Quadra streets. Pastor, T. E. Holling, B. A. Services: 10 a. m., class meetings; 11 a. m., public worship; 7:30 p. m., Metropolitan Sabbath school; 2:30 p. m., Spring Ridge public worship; 7:30 p. m., Metropolitan public worship. A special New Year's service, Music led by a male choir of 40 voices. The hymn book will be dispensed with and Gospel songs will be used. A male quartette will sing. The pastor will preach a special sermon to young men. E. Parsons will give an organ recital for twenty minutes before the hour of service. All are cordially invited.

BAPTIST.

First, Victoria hall, Blanchard street, near Pandora. By special request the Christmas music will be repeated at the evening service, and Rev. Mr. Speller will give his closing sermon, his engagement with the church ending this Sabbath. Morning subject, "A New Year Prayer"; evening, "A New Year Communion." Baraca and Philathea classes at 2:30. Monday evening Mr. Speller will give his closing address to young people. Everybody welcome.

Tabernacle, corner of Fairfield road and Chester street. Rev. F. T. Tapscott, M. A., pastor. Services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school, 2:30 p. m. New Year's themes. Special music. A cordial invitation. Evangelistic services every evening during the week of prayer at 8 o'clock. These services are available for those of all churches and of none.

OTHER DENOMINATIONS.

Christadelphians, A. O. U. W. buildings, Yates street. Public meeting at 2:30 p. m. Subject, "The Acceptable Year of the Lord." Isaiah 61, 2. All welcome.

Salvation Army, Citadel, Broad street. Services: 7 a. m., knee drill; 11 a. m., holiness meeting; 3 p. m., Sunday school; 3 p. m., prayer meeting; 7:30 p. m., salvation meeting in the Grand theatre. These meetings will be conducted by the officers in charge, assisted by various members of the corps. A welcome is extended to all.

Society of Friends, Y. M. C. A. hall, Broad street. Meeting for worship, 11 a. m. All are welcome.

Psychic Research Society, Pandora hall, Broad street, between Pandora and Johnson streets. On Sunday at 3 p. m. Mrs. F. V. Jackson will give an address, subject to be taken from the congregation, followed by clairvoyant descriptions and messages. All are welcome.

Christia Science church, 305 Pandora street. Services on Sunday mornings at 11 o'clock. Subject for January 2nd, "God." All are welcome.

Spiritualism, 724 Caledonia avenue. R. H. Kneeshaw lectures at 8 p. m. Subject, "The Kingdom of Heaven." All are welcome to those meetings.

MUNICIPAL CONTEST IN NORTH SAANICH

Reeve Sangster Will Again Run —Opposition Offered to Him.

Reeve Sangster, who has occupied the chair since the formation of the municipality of North Saanich, is offering himself again for the fifth time and asks the support of the electors upon his past record.

C. C. Cochran, manager and owner of the Sidney Trading Company, has offered himself as a candidate for reeve, and in his brief announcement says he is in favor of a square deal for all portions of the district, the enforcement of all laws and a system of local improvements whereby the town of Sidney can secure such works as sidewalks, sewerage, etc.

Reeve Sangster, before he left for Europe, was nominated by Councillor Hewitt and Mr. Andrew Munro. The latter is conducting his campaign at present.

An effort is being made to induce all of the old council to again offer, and it is understood that Councillor MacDonaid and Councillor Horth, who represented the North Ward last year, will accede, as will also Hewitt in the South Ward, Councillor Herber retiring.

A meeting was held at Councillor Hewitt's home Thursday evening for the purpose of selecting another candidate in the South Ward who would be favorable to the policy of the last administration. Some difficulty was encountered as some names suggested, and who were otherwise acceptable, were adverse to committing themselves to the policy heretofore pursued.

Hon. J. H. Turner, agent-general in London, has forwarded to the Bureau of Information a letter received from Mrs. Sarah Powell, 17 Driedale road, Lily road, Fulham, making enquiry as to Walter Bernhard Lorenz, Park avenue, New Westminster, whose son is in London and wishes to hear of his father.

The annual business meeting of the men's Bible class of the First Congregational church will be held on Tuesday evening in the schoolroom of the church. The officers for the ensuing year will be elected. The meeting will conclude with a social time.

On the returning officer in Cariboo not having sent enough ballot papers up to Fort George, two voters had to be provided with improvised ballots. These were thrown out by the returning officer, however, as appearing from the return, as not conforming to the legal form.

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DON'T miss the Model Home in the Broughton Street windows. These spacious windows allow us to furnish three rooms in a manner that gives a fair conception of the attractive qualities of Weiler furniture and furnishings. We have here a dining room, drawing room and bedroom, and every lover of an attractively furnished home shouldn't fail to see this display.

It is impossible to do our furniture offerings justice in the showrooms. Lack of space prevents these pieces being shown to advantage and only when placed in the quarters for which they were designed and made can you rightly appreciate their beauty. In these rooms we give a faint idea of the possibilities of Weiler furniture. See these rooms to-day.

The Dining Room

This room is furnished in "Mission." Not the "dead" finish of some years ago, but the popular Early English finish. Dining rooms in this style are becoming very popular and no other store shows such a complete assortment of this style of furniture. All the furnishings of this room can be supplied from our stock—silver, china, glass, etc.

The Drawing Room

In the drawing room some very handsome examples are shown. Mahogany furniture of very pleasing design. The upholstering work has been done in our own factory. Choose the frames, then choose coverings to match your hangings and other furnishings and let us do the work for you. We can also supply you with mantels, fireplace furniture, etc.

The Bed Room

In this room you will also see mahogany furniture—a splendid style for bedroom use. The rich brass bed adds dignity to this room. The combination is unusually pleasing. Bedding comes from our big bedding department. The silver maniere and toilet pieces from our silverware shop. Hundreds of other combinations may be made.

Don't Miss This New Furniture

Dozens of New Pieces Are Being Added Daily

Yesterday saw many new pieces of furniture placed on display. To-day will see still more, and the new year will open on a stock of furniture unequalled for variety, choice and values, in all the West. Before you make a furniture purchase in 1910 inspect our offerings.

You'll find here the very latest ideas and you'll find the prices represent the fairest prices at which furniture of quality can be sold. The Weiler guarantee stands back of every piece that leaves this store—and it is a guarantee that means something.

New Settees
New Chairs
New Buffets

New Morris Chairs
New Beds
New Davenport

New Rockers
New Bookcases
New Arm Chairs

New Chiffonieres
New Dressers
New China Cabinets

Here Are A Few of the New Leather Furniture Pieces

ARM CHAIR—A strong solid oak frame, finished in the Early English finish. Upholstered in maroon or olive leather. Comfortable chair, at \$25

ARM ROCKER—A Mission designed frame of solid oak, finished in the popular Early English finish. Upholstered in olive leather. Great value at \$22.50

MORRIS CHAIR—A striking Mission design. Frame of oak finished Early English. Upholstered in olive leather. Priced at \$40

MORRIS CHAIR—A very attractive design. Frame of solid oak, cabinet arms finished Early English. Olive leather. Priced at \$45

EASY CHAIR—A massive chair style. Solid oak frame, Early English finish. Upholstered in olive leather. Priced at \$50

MASSIVE SETTEE—A striking Mission designed settee. Solid oak frame in the popular Early English finish. Upholstered in olive leather. A very stylish and comfortable piece of furniture. Priced at \$120

SETTEE—A similar style to above, but in a smaller size. Priced at \$100

DAVENPORT—A simplified Davenport. Frame of Early English oak. Upholstered in green velvet \$45

Delightful New Curtain and Drapery Materials

New Arabian Cloth, Salem Cloth, Cloister Cloth, Silkolines, Etc.

To-day the drapery department displays for the first time some of the most delightful curtain and drapery creations of the year. These latest arrivals include some charming efforts in silkolines, Salem cloth, Arabian cloth, cloister cloth, etc. Most artistic curtains, etc., may be made from these, and the prices are such as to allow every home to enjoy the added effect of attractive curtains and drapes. Come in and see these on the second floor.

Silkolines—Many Patterns, at 20c Per Yard

In these Silkolines we offer a great choice of floral and tapestry effects, and some new border effects that are bound to please. These materials are suitable for screens, covering down quilts, mantle drapes, curtains, etc. Prices are low—only, per yard 20c

Salem Cloth at 35c and 45c the Yard

SALEM CLOTH—Solid colors in greens, browns, blues, reds, old gold, etc., suitable for drapes and coverings, 36 inches wide. Per yard 35c

SALEM CLOTH—In a variety of colorings in the two-toned effects, 36 inches wide. Per yard 45c

CLOISTER CLOTH—We have this excellent curtain material in natural shade, old gold and green, 50 inches wide and priced at, per yard 85c

Arabian Cloth at 30c and 35c the Yard

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PANAMA-PACIFIC FAIR.

Directors of Sub-Committee Will Be Named in January.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 31.—F. W. Loerman, Leon Sloss and W. J. Dutcher were appointed a committee of three to name the directing body that will have in charge the affairs of the Panama-Pacific exposition to be held in San Francisco on the completion of the Panama canal, have set January 1st for the next meeting of the ways and means committee.

On that day the executives will render their report containing the names of thirty directors who will be the active working heads of various sub-committees to be appointed later.

It is probable, according to an announcement made at a meeting of the committee of 300, that an additional 100 members will be added to that body.

AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS.

Chicago, Dec. 31.—The United States has \$20,000,000,000 invested in farm lands, their buildings, machinery and livestock, according to a census taken by Orange Judd Farmer, from 1,000,000 in 1850, the number of farms has increased to nearly 7,000,000 in 1900.

The report adds: "The value of farms in the United States has increased 45 per cent more than in 1900, the figures

of that year showing an increase of 25 per cent over the previous decade. The western section, which includes New Mexico, Colorado, Wyoming, Montana and other states, has in the past ten years shown an increase in the number of farms of 100 per cent."

INVESTIGATING ALSOP CASE.

London, Dec. 31.—Baron MacNaughton, ex-ord of appeal in ordinary, is mentioned as likely to be delegated by King Edward to investigate the respective cases of the United States and Chili in the Alsop claim dispute, of which His Majesty is the arbitrator. Chilean Minister Gana is busily engaged in the preparation of his country's brief.

NINE SAILORS PERISH.

Fayal, Azores, Dec. 31.—Nine men of the crew of the Portuguese barque Fortuna were drowned in the storms which have been ravaging the Atlantic in the past ten days. The Fortuna was bound from New Orleans for Oran and was towed into this port to-day; totally dismantled, her deck laid washed away and half of her crew lost.

SUDDEN DEATH.

New York, Dec. 31.—F. B. Smyth, of the Crucible Steel Company, one of the largest steel corporations in the United States, dropped dead here last night.

RETURNS TO STAGE.

Dancer Who Is Suing Frank Gould For Alleged Breach of Promise Receives \$2,000 a Week.

New York, Dec. 31.—"I need the money," thus Hattie De Vos, who is suing Frank Gould for \$25,000 for alleged breach of promise, explained her action when she accepted an offer to return to the vaudeville stage at a salary of \$2,000 a week.

The dancer's salary is more than 1,000 per cent above the salary she was receiving at the time she is said to have left the stage at Frank Gould's request two years ago and is the second highest salary paid vaudeville performers.

SWITCHMEN RETURN TO WORK.

Butte, Mont., Dec. 31.—All striking Northern Pacific switchmen yesterday returned to work in the local yards. Their action practically broke the strike in this locality, since the Great Northern employees have already resumed their places.

PICTURES BEQUESTED.

London, Dec. 31.—It is understood that Dr. Ludwig Mond, the well-known chemist, who died on December 18th, has bequeathed his fine collection of Italian pictures to the British nation.

MORSE'S FIGHT FOR FREEDOM.

New York, Dec. 31.—United States Judge Lacombe yesterday granted a stay of execution of sentence in the case of Charles W. Morse, the convicted banker, until next Monday, when Morse's attorney, Martin W. Littleton, will argue his motion on a writ of error.

FIRE ON CELTIC OUT.

Liverpool, Dec. 31.—The fire which originated among bales of cotton in the hold of the White Star liner Celtic, when the steamer was at sea on December 22nd, was extinguished yesterday. The vessel was not damaged.

PANTAGES THEATRE.

To-morrow afternoon, to accommodate the New Year's crowds desiring to witness the excellent holiday programme at Pantages, the theatre will be open at 2 p. m. and the performances will run almost continuously. The especially high quality of the show, coupled with the fact of its being the last appearance here, and on a holiday, warrants the conclusion that the Pantages will begin the new year with a record-breaking attendance.

Another big show is announced for next week with "Zharina," the spectacular dancer, as one of the features.

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BUILDING RECORD SMASHED DURING YEAR JUST CLOSED

(Continued from page 9.)

A. B. McNeill, dwelling, Grant street, \$800.
H. Callow, greenhouse, Fort street, \$500.
H. Ruckle, dwelling, Morrison street, \$1,900.
E. G. Brown, dwelling, Princess avenue, \$1,900.
Dunford & Matthews, dwelling, Chamberlain street, \$5,500.
Capt. D. McIntosh, dwelling, McBride avenue, \$2,500.
R. Watson, dwelling, Belmont avenue, \$3,000.
W. J. Dandridge, dwelling, Fell street, \$1,200.

W. C. Moresby, dwelling, Richards street, \$3,000.
W. Laylis, dwelling, Robertson street, \$2,600.
H. M. Cowper, dwelling, Denman street, \$1,500.
A. W. Elliott, dwelling, Pandora avenue, \$2,700.
Challoner, Mitchell & Brown, store and offices, Yates street, \$5,000.
R. E. James, dwelling, Princess avenue, \$1,500.
T. Bickle, dwelling, Pandora avenue, \$2,500.

Bullman Allison Co., machine shop, rear of Montreal bank, \$500.
J. A. Jeeves, dwelling, Rose street, \$2,700.
Misses O'Brien, dwelling, Chester street, \$3,000.
C. J. Deacon, dwelling, Manchester street, \$2,000.

G. Greco, dwelling, Chapman street, \$800.
J. D. Reid, dwelling, Springfield avenue, \$1,500.
Mrs. E. Wilkerson, dwelling, Langford street, \$750.
J. F. Cole, dwelling, Denman street, \$300.
Mrs. F. M. Lean, dwelling, Cedar Hill road, \$1,800.

Moore & Whittington, dwelling, Harbinger avenue, \$2,700.
Scott & Peden, dwelling, Fairfield street, \$2,700.
J. Porter, addition, Frances avenue, \$400.
D. Laurie, plumbing shop, Esquimalt road, \$600.
C. Sivertz, addition, Denman street, \$400.

C. L. Lyons, dwelling, Vancouver street, \$3,250.
A. H. Mitchell, dwelling, Niagara street, \$1,900.
A. C. Burdick, garage, Rupert street, \$200.
Miss V. Thomas, addition, Michigan street, \$400.
Mrs. Stewart, dwelling, Seaview street, \$200.

H. Young & Co., store, Government street, \$5,000.
J. A. Dwyer, dwelling, Prior street, \$1,500.
Mrs. Graham, dwelling, Powell street, \$450.
Mrs. Bell, alterations, Richmond avenue, \$70.
J. Moggay, dwelling, Sutley street, \$1,300.

W. Penhallurick, dwelling, Prior street, \$2,200.
M. Smith, dwelling, Haughton street, \$3,000.
National Finance Co., dwelling, Princess avenue, \$2,400.
J. H. Gray, bathhouse, Victoria Crescent, \$200.
J. H. Gray, tea room, Victoria Crescent, \$800.

J. S. V. York, dwelling, Flanagan street, \$2,170.
W. Burkholder, addition, Blanchard street, \$200.
J. R. Gren, addition, Superior street, \$1,300.
Belmont Boot & Shoe Co., alterations, Yates street, \$250.
D. H. Baie, dwelling, Richmond avenue, \$2,500.

Mrs. Sigurdson, dwelling, Haughton street, \$450.
E. S. Gray, dwelling, Blackwood street, \$250.
K. Sharp, dwelling, Trutch street, \$3,000.
W. Downess store and offices, Broad street, \$8,500.
C. J. Brown, dwelling, Hereward street, \$1,000.

Lam Bang, stable, Herald street, \$600.
H. L. Drury, dwelling, Foul Bay road, \$6,000.
J. Cocagne, dwelling, Linden avenue, \$1,000.
E. Gillman, dwelling, McPherson avenue, \$2,300.
R. McDonald, dwelling, Marian street, \$900.

D. E. Whitaker, dwelling, Richardson street, \$2,500.
A. J. Woodward, warehouse, Yates street, \$15,000.
W. S. Newman, dwelling, Skinner street, \$2,000.
R. E. Blakeway, dwelling, King's road, \$1,700.
R. E. Blakeway, dwelling, Chamberlain avenue, \$2,150.

W. J. Cullen, dwelling, Fairfield road, \$2,500.
H. A. Butler, dwelling, Prior street, \$500.
A. W. Bridgman, dwelling, Bay Terrace, \$2,500.
Nelson Bennick & Sons, dwelling, Richardson street, \$3,000.
Dunford & Matthews, dwelling, Fell street, \$2,900.

Matthew Christie, theatre, Yates street, \$2,500.
S. P. Moody, garage, St. Charles street, \$100.
T. Sivertz, dwelling, Spring road, \$200.
Mrs. E. Walker, dwelling, Caledonia avenue, \$2,700.
J. Todd, addition, Pine street, \$400.

J. R. Saunders, stable, Pembroke street, \$1,700.
D. Smith, dwelling, Pandora avenue, \$1,500.
W. J. Gilliland, dwelling, Pembroke street, \$2,500.
W. J. Gilliland, dwelling, Pembroke street, \$2,500.
F. H. Stephenson, dwelling, Cook street, \$5,200.

C. Boniface, dwelling, Chapman street, \$450.
Dunford & Son, dwelling, Burnsides road, \$3,700.
L. B. Gooding, private hotel, Douglas street, \$10,000.

Pemberton & Son, stores and offices, Broad street, \$250,000.
J. H. Gillespie, dwelling, Foul Bay road, \$5,000.
Woodworkers, Ltd., planning mill, Douglas street, \$5,000.
Engstrom & Cole, dwelling, Prior street, \$1,200.

Mrs. O. Warner, dwelling, Alston road, \$275.
E. E. Hardwick, dwelling, Chamberlain road, \$1,500.
C. E. White, dwelling, Henry street, \$1,100.
A. E. Thompson, dwelling, Edmonton road, \$475.

H. D. Woodley, dwelling, Simcoe street, \$600.
S. Shanks, dwelling, May street, \$1,500.
Mrs. M. E. Dooley, dwelling, Yates street, \$2,800.
Engstrom and Cole, addition, Graham street, \$200.

C. Mallandane, dwelling, Montreal street, \$1,700.
J. S. Gordon, dwelling, Linden avenue, \$4,000.
W. J. Haana, dwelling, Camosun street, \$1,700.
W. Warburton, dwelling, Cook street, \$1,500.

McPherson and Fullerton Bros., dwelling, Beachwood avenue, \$2,200.
R. Hall, dwelling, May street, \$200.
Chong Tong Kok, dwelling, Cormorant street, \$1,700.
W. J. Clarke, blacksmith shop, Cormorant street, \$1,000.

Bell and Rolland, dwelling, Edmonton road, \$3,200.
J. P. Burgess, dwelling, Princess avenue, \$1,100.
F. H. Fisher, dwelling, Hillside avenue, \$300.
Bannerman & Horne, store and rooms, Broad street, \$22,000.

Mrs. W. Lang, alterations, Avalon road, \$250.
Mrs. E. Woolridge, dwelling, Denman road, \$1,500.
D. Madden, dwelling, Flanagan street, \$1,400.
A. Hewlett, dwelling, Oxford street, \$350.

Elizabeth Van Ness, dwelling, Faithful street, \$800.
C. C. Williams, dwelling, Haultain street, \$200.
St. Saviour's church, alterations, Henry street, \$420.
J. H. Norman, dwelling, Ladysmith street, \$450.

H. E. Levy, garage, Pemberton road, \$900.
T. Brunsden, dwelling, Cedar Hill road, \$350.
J. Wallace, dwelling, Haultain road, \$250.
Sylvester Bros., store, Yates street, \$15,550.

Simons and Coker, outhouse, Broughton street, \$800.
Elizabeth Papke, addition, St. Louis street, \$150.
Dr. E. Hall, apartment house, Fort street, \$12,500.
Miss G. Mackie, dwelling, Douglas street, \$1,800.

School Board, school, Moss street, \$40,000.
R. Easton, dwelling, Fifth street, \$150.
McPadden, stable, Flanagan street, \$300.
C. J. V. Pratt, dwelling, \$9,000.
Miss M. A. Ellison, dwelling, Front street, \$1,700.

D. Spencer, storeroom, Broad street, \$3,000.
W. J. Gilliland, dwelling, Pembroke street, \$1,850.
A. S. Stoddard, dwelling, Fell street, \$2,575.
Dunford & Son, dwelling, Richmond avenue, \$1,500.

A. W. Turpel, dwelling, King's road, \$1,950.
D. Brown, dwelling, Shelbourne street, \$200.
W. G. Baylis, dwelling, Robertson street, \$2,500.
R. M. Lunburn, dwelling, Fell street, \$2,600.

McPherson and Fullerton Bros., dwelling, Beachwood street, \$2,000.
J. Avery, dwelling, Cook street, \$5,000.
G. Crutskamp, dwelling, Fifth street, \$600.
J. H. Cooper, dwelling, Prior street, \$1,200.

Tong Shung & Co., store, Chatham street, \$6,700.
Mrs. C. Affolter, dwelling, Shakespeare street, \$500.
J. C. Ross, garage, Helmcken street, \$5,000.
Miss Lawson, dwelling, Princess avenue, \$3,200.

McCandless Bros., addition, Johnson street, \$700.
Moore & Whittington, dwelling, Princess avenue, \$3,600.
Victoria Brewery Co., alteration, Douglas street, \$1,300.
C. Somerville, dwelling, King's road, \$600.

Kersey, dwelling, Princess avenue, \$1,800.
G. C. Mesher, dwelling, Dallas road, \$4,500.
Mrs. R. A. McGriffie, dwelling, Cedar Hill road, \$1,500.
F. Butcher, dwelling, Ash street, \$500.

L. S. Bell, addition, Douglas street, \$1,800.
Sisters St. Ann Convent, convent, \$60,000.
Major Adain, dwelling, Foul Bay road, \$3,000.
H. M. Lees, boat house, Hollywood, \$500.

D. Hallam, dwelling, Beacon street, \$1,600.
C. W. Dixon, dwelling, Ontario street, \$1,800.
L. J. J. Bouvier, dwelling, Alpha street, \$200.
D. C. Hutchinson, dwelling, McPherson street, \$2,400.

T. Cowan, dwelling, Shelbourne street, \$800.
W. A. Robertson, outhouse, Pembroke street, \$100.
C. E. Pearson, addition, Fifth street, \$120.
Jalland Bros., dwelling, Oliphant street, \$1,400.

M. Morburger, addition, Chamber street, \$350.
J. Mann, dwelling, Front street, \$1,400.
R. Hetherington, dwelling, Bank street, \$450.
D. Bennett, dwelling, Chapman street, \$450.

J. Donaldson, dwelling, Ladysmith street, \$450.
Leeming Bros., store, Yates street, \$500.
Sweeney Cooperage, storage, Johnson street, \$200.

Mrs. A. Todd, dwelling, Seaview street, \$600.
Mr. Van Munster, dwelling, Rudlin street, \$1,500.
E. B. McLean, dwelling, Cedar Hill road, \$1,900.

T. H. Rasmussen, dwelling, Ontario street, \$200.
H. T. Knott, dwelling, Trutch street, \$2,500.
Mrs. E. J. Bassett, dwelling, Shakespeare street, \$1,900.
Miss Sorby, addition, Hulton street, \$400.

E. M. Boulding, addition, Speed avenue, \$100.
G. Longpre, shoeshop, Cook street, \$100.
Island Investment Co., dwelling, McBride avenue, \$2,000.
T. Gaffney, dwelling, McPherson street, \$3,300.

J. E. Price, dwelling, Douglas street, \$600.
Dunford and Son, dwelling, Richmond avenue, \$1,700.
Baker and Bailey, dwelling, Foul Bay road, \$1,700.
J. Jordison, stable, Faithful street, \$200.

C. More, addition, Flanagan street, \$100.
Hon. P. J. Fulton, dwelling, Hollywood Crescent, \$3,000.
Mrs. E. McCrimmon, dwelling, Camosun street, \$1,800.
Stanaland & Co., stable, Fort street, \$250.

J. Mowat, addition, Oscar street, \$200.
E. Homans, addition, Russell street, \$450.
P. A. J. Paine, addition, Ontario street, \$450.
H. T. Knott, dwelling, Richardson street, \$2,900.

Carl C. P. Wooley, vault, Government street, \$900.
Royal Bank of Canada, bank, Government street, \$45,000.
T. Catterall, offices, Fort street, \$2,300.
L. J. Quaghiotti, work shop, Johnson street, \$150.

W. W. Black, dwelling, Sherbourne street, \$700.
S. G. Featherstone, dwelling, Seaview street, \$1,500.
F. Dykes, addition, Pembroke street, \$200.
Mrs. T. Tye, addition, Douglas street, \$1,000.

A. Hesson, dwelling, Bay street, \$1,300.
W. Tucker, dwelling, Hulton street, \$800.
J. T. Flynn, addition, Cook street, \$100.
G. Payne, dwelling, Ontario street, \$1,000.

M. Young, addition, Quebec street, \$125.
P. W. Dempster, carriage shop, Douglas street, \$3,500.
Mrs. E. Card, addition, North Park street, \$150.
Parfitt Bros., dwelling, Belmont avenue, \$2,900.

Hibben & Co., store and offices, Langley street, \$15,000.
Miss J. Behnson, alteration, Centre road, \$1,000.
G. C. Alder, dwelling, Coburg street, \$1,500.
H. James, dwelling, James street, \$800.

A. Brayshaw, dwelling, Edmonton road, \$1,200.
Mrs. Finnigan, dwelling, Blackwood street, \$400.
E. A. Morris, store, Government street, \$4,200.
W. Burnell, dwelling, Medina street, \$1,700.

Moore & Whittington, dwelling, Camosun street, \$1,500.
H. E. Smith, addition, Cambridge street, \$200.
Jubilee hospital, dressing room, \$250.
R. A. Renwick, addition, Simcoe street, \$1,200.

B. C. Electric Co., steam plant, Store street, \$1,500.
Dr. D. B. Holden, garage, Quadra street, \$500.
Miss M. Hunt, dwelling, Chaparral street, \$1,200.
T. D. Fawcett, dwelling, Harbinger street, \$1,950.

R. Hetherington, dwelling, Michigan street, \$1,450.
C. Waltes, addition, Camosun street, \$275.
Lacy Couves, addition, Queen's avenue, \$500.
S. Humer, dwelling, McBride street, \$1,700.

W. A. Leitch, dwelling, third street, \$1,500.
Dunford and Son, dwelling, Fell street, \$1,700.
F. Ward, studio, Haselwood street, \$400.
J. Stevens, dwelling, Langford street, \$1,400.

Mrs. Hupster, dwelling, Pembroke street, \$1,200.
J. Hay, dwelling, Linden avenue, \$2,300.
S. Johnson, dwelling, Cowichan street, \$1,400.
J. E. Bartle, addition, Dallas road, \$100.

R. L. Doble, dwelling, Simcoe street, \$1,200.
J. Meybrow, dwelling, Fifth street, \$800.
Jane A. Dorman, dwelling, Linden street, \$4,000.
R. E. Blakeway, dwelling, Graham avenue, \$1,700.

Mrs. L. Gillingham, dwelling, Prior street, \$1,000.
Frackman & Ker Co., mill, \$3,500.
R. Wilson, dwelling, Shelbourne street, \$200.
R. Butler, warehouse, Yates street, \$200.

W. C. Van Munster, dwelling, Mt. Toimie road, \$1,800.
A. A. Freeman, dwelling, Cornwall street, \$1,500.
G. Hardy, dwelling, Walnut street, \$500.
T. King, dwelling, Blackwood street, \$150.

T. Shaw, dwelling, Caledonia avenue, \$2,600.
W. Foulter, stable, Chamberlain street, \$150.
A. Chisholm, addition, Blackwood street, \$400.
W. Clark, outhouse, \$300.

D. Burnett, addition, Chapman street, \$150.
Agnes Jeune, addition, Caledonia avenue, \$350.
J. A. Rihet, garage, McClure street, \$150.
H. Robinson, dwelling, Prior street, \$500.

J. A. Sayward, dwelling, Moss street, \$200.

W. T. D. Dale, outhouse, North Park street, \$450.
A. Thornton, dwelling, Cook street, \$2,000.
Island Investment Co., dwelling, Quadra street, \$5,250.

Island Investment Co., dwelling, McBride street, \$3,500.
Mrs. E. Rogers, dwelling, Collinson street, \$2,600.
Parfitt Bros., dwelling, Fernwood road, \$300.
L. P. Young, dwelling, Princess avenue, \$1,700.

R. P. Knott, dwelling, Flanagan street, \$1,600.
E. J. Bright, dwelling, Graham street, \$1,600.
A. Dawson, dwelling, Cowichan street, \$900.
Vancouver-Prince Rupert Meat Co., smoke house, Johnson street, \$150.

Geo. Andrews, dwelling, Market street, \$1,100.
Capt. W. D. Owen, addition, Superior street, \$400.
G. Patterson, warehouse, Flanagan street, \$700.
R. C. Land Investment Co., offices, Government street, \$4,000.

Mrs. W. P. Jeune, dwelling, Shelbourne street, \$100.
W. C. Todd, dwelling, St. Charles street, \$14,000.
A. Wheeler, dwelling, Bank street, \$2,000.
P. Tryant, dwelling, Hollywood Park, \$1,500.

Mr. Parsons, addition, Yates street, \$450.
J. Sellick, addition, Quadra street, \$250.
W. Scrase, dwelling, Joseph street, \$1,000.
Stanaland Co., store and office, Fort street, \$4,300.

H. Johnson, dwelling, Wilson street, \$1,850.
W. J. McDonald, warehouse, Wharf street, \$200.
H. J. Saunders, dwelling, Queen's avenue, \$1,700.
J. Atkins, dwelling, Niagara street, \$1,700.

E. B. Jones, butcher shop, Cook street, \$600.
R. Hetherington, dwelling, bank street, \$1,500.
W. N. Mitchell, office, Yates street, \$300.
W. Joseph, dwelling, Eberts street, \$1,600.

A. H. Mitchell, dwelling, Fernwood road, \$1,300.
C. H. Satterfield, storeroom, Government street, \$100.
National Finance Co., dwellings, Queen's avenue, \$5,400.
Wm. Clegg, dwelling, Cook street, \$2,800.

Robt. Burness, dwelling, Pine street, \$150.
Anderson Bros., baker oven, Coburg street, \$400.
Thos. Buckler, dwelling, Princess avenue, \$1,550.
R. Beard, dwelling, Gorge road, \$4,500.

George C. Mesher, dwelling, McClure street, \$5,000.
Victoria Building Co., stores, Yates street, \$20,000.
Wm. Mead, barn, Olympian and Dallas roads, \$50.
Thos. Brooks, dwelling, Francis street, \$200.

W. H. Grant, dwelling, Simcoe street, \$1,500.
Mrs. F. Mustard, dwelling, Carroll street, \$1,650.
M. Brown, dwelling, Dunedin street, \$900.
J. E. Musgrave, dwelling, Sutley street, \$2,650.

R. A. Oelvie, dwelling, Richmond avenue, \$2,650.
A. Delagrino, dwelling, Edmonton road, \$2,300.
Lee Dye and Lee Kow, cabins, Cormorant street, \$2,500.
Jas. Donegan, dwelling, Hereward road, \$400.

J. Salmon, dwelling, Chapman street, \$1,600.
M. B. Pollock, dwelling, Mt. Toimie, \$1,000.
F. W. Grant, dwelling, Pandora street, \$2,000.
Wm. Rockett, dwelling, Johnson street, \$900.

Wm. Piggott, dwelling, Belmont avenue, \$150.
G. C. Mesher, dwelling, Carbery road, \$2,500.
G. Clare, dwelling, Washington avenue, \$2,500.
G. L. Jones, dwelling, Gorge road, \$2,600.

W. D. Grant, dwelling, Pandora avenue, \$5,300.

J. Lefevre, dwelling, Simcoe street, \$1,900.
Mrs. L. Powers, barn, Michigan street, \$150.
Dr. Gallie, dwelling, Washington street, \$350.

E. F. Lang, dwelling, Hillside avenue, \$2,800.
W. J. Currie, dwelling, South Turner street, \$900.
R. Harrison, dwelling, Blackwood avenue, \$900.
F. Landsberg, dwelling, Medina street, \$6,000.

Mrs. Moss, dwelling, Vancouver street, \$2,600.
Wm. Norman, dwelling, South Turner street, \$2,200.
G. C. Mesher, dwelling, South Turner street, \$4,000.
A. Clemet, dwelling, Stanley avenue, \$1,800.

A. C. Bowes, dwelling, Stanley avenue, \$1,800.
H. Campbell, dwelling, Johnson street, \$200.
Mrs. A. A. Davidson, dwelling, Rock Bay avenue, \$2,000.
J. Hunter, dwelling, Mary street, \$1,200.

W. J. Wigglesworth, dwelling, Pembroke street, \$700.
S. Verge, dwelling, Princess avenue, \$1,800.
Thos. Cox, dwelling, Chamberlain street, \$2,500.
P. Lamb, dwelling, Chapman street, \$275.

J. P. Elford, dwelling, Ontario street, \$3,600.
Geo. Morse, dwelling, Topaz avenue, \$600.
H. H. Rasmussen, dwelling, Ontario street, \$1,200.
A. Bassett, dwelling, Vancouver street, \$2,000.

S. Parker, dwelling, Bushby street, \$250.
James Bay Methodist church, for alterations to cost \$1,100.
Victoria Creamery Co., building, \$13,000.
H. F. Shade, dwelling, Work street, \$2,900.

R. T. Jalland, dwelling, Oliphant street, \$2,400.
Douglas Bros., dwelling, \$1,000.
F. H. Tubbs, dwelling, Cecilia street, \$800.
F. H. Stevenson, stable, Princess avenue, \$300.

S. W. Easton, dwelling, St. Lawrence street, \$2,400.
S. M. Trimen, dwelling, Hilda street, \$2,800.
Luney Bros., dwelling, Blanchard street, \$2,400.
Alex. McCrimmon, dwelling, Linden avenue, \$3,000.

H. T. Knott, dwelling, Pandora avenue, \$2,200.
J. J. Russell, dwelling, Vining street, \$200.
R. L. Carruthers, dwelling, Front street, \$200.
Corbett and Hay, dwelling, Sutley street, \$3,200.

J. J. Jennings, dwelling, Chapman street, \$1,100.
Mrs. A. Edwards, dwelling, Harrison street, \$2,410.
R. Bantley, dwelling, Fort street, \$3,100.
Jas. Fairall, dwelling, Menzies street, \$500.

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Mary Porter, dwelling, Frances avenue, \$200.
K. Sharpe, dwelling, Trutch street, \$2,000.
Jane A. Cooper, dwelling, Pembroke street, \$1,000.

Wm. Rockitt, dwelling, Pandora avenue, \$1,000.
Jas. Bais, dwelling, Belmont avenue, \$3,250.
Geo. Lovatt, dwelling, Dunedin street, \$3,600.
Mrs. Higgins, dwelling, Victoria Crescent, \$5,700.

Mrs. Sills, dwelling, Linden avenue, \$540.
I. M. Nodak, auto garage, Cook street, \$225.
Silver Spring Brewery Co., William street, \$200.
Silver Spring Brewery Co., dwelling, Lime street, \$9,000.

CARTER INSTANTLY KILLED.
Quebec, Dec. 31.—Andrew McCall, carter, was instantly killed by his horse bolting and throwing him from his rig on Champlain street, opposite his home. His neck was broken by striking a telegraph pole.

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SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST LAND REGULATIONS.

Any person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years of age, may homestead a quarter section (160 acres, more or less) of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta. The applicant must appear in person at the Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-Agency for the district. Entry may be made at any agency, on certain conditions, by father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of intending homesteader.

DUTIES.—Six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each of three years. The homesteader may live within nine miles of his homestead on a farm of at least 80 acres solely owned and occupied by him or by his father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister.

In certain districts a homesteader in good standing may present a quarter section alongside his homestead. Price \$300 per acre. Duties—Must reside six months in each of six years from date of homestead entry (including the time required to earn homestead patent) and cultivate fifty acres extra.

A homesteader who has exhausted his homestead right and cannot obtain a pre-emption may take a purchased homestead in certain districts. Price \$300 per acre. Purchased homesteads may be acquired on any available land, except in the even numbered sections south of Townships 45, east of the Calgary and Edmonton Railway and the west line of Range 26, and west of the 13th Meridian and the South Railway line. Duties—Must reside six months in each of three years, cultivate fifty acres and erect a house worth \$200.

SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST MINING REGULATIONS.
COAL.—Coal-mining rights may be leased for twenty-one years at an annual rental of \$100 an acre, not more than 200 acres can be leased to one applicant. Royalty, five cents per ton.

QUARTZ.—A person eighteen years of age and over having made a discovery may locate a claim 150 feet by 1500 feet. Fee, \$50. At least \$100 must be expended on the claim each year, or paid to the Mining Recorder. When \$500 has been expended or paid and other requirements complied with the claim may be purchased at \$10 an acre.

PLACER MINING CLAIMS generally, 100 feet square. Entry fee, \$500.
DREDGING.—Two leases of five miles each of a river may be issued to one applicant for a term of 50 years. Rental, \$10 a mile, per annum. Royalty, 25 per cent. after the output exceeds \$10,000.

Deputy of the Minister of the Interior, N. B.—Unauthorized publication of this advertisement will not be paid for.

Corporation of the District of Oak Bay

VOTERS LIST, 1910

COURT OF REVISION.
PUBLIC NOTICE HEREBY GIVEN that the Council will sit as a Court of Revision of the Voters' List in the Council Chamber, Oak Bay, on Monday, 3rd January, 1910, at 7:30 o'clock p. m., to hear and determine cases where it is alleged that any person's name has been improperly placed on or omitted from the said list, or that a person whose name has been omitted from the said list has, since the 1st day of December, become entitled to have his name placed thereon. Copies of Voters' List may be obtained from the undersigned.
J. S. FLOYD,
C. M. C.
Law Chambers, Victoria, B. C.

FIVE TRAMPLED TO DEATH IN PANIC

TWENTY-ONE ALSO SUSTAIN INJURIES

Thieves Light Firecrackers in Theatre and Pick Pockets During Rush.

Lemberg, Austria, Dec. 31.—The entire police force of this city is in a man hunt in their efforts to run down the desperate pickpockets who exploded fireworks at a moving picture show Wednesday, when five were killed and twenty-one seriously injured in the panic that followed the explosion.

The pickpockets' plan was entirely successful, scores being robbed as they fled through the exits. It is supposed that the criminals had a man stationed at each door while the leader stood in the back of the house and lighted the fuses attached to a number of cannon crackers which he had concealed under his seat.

Men and women trampled on children in their frenzy when the explosions occurred, and some one cried "fire." The exits were soon blocked with fighting masses of humanity, and the pickpockets plied their "trade" at will. The police have scarcely a clue on which to work. In the meantime every suspected pickpocket in the city will be placed under arrest.

JAPAN SEEKS NEW IMMIGRATION AGREEMENT

New Ambassador Will Submit Proposal to Washington Authorities.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 31.—Among the first official acts of Baron Uchida, new Japanese ambassador, it is said, will be a series of steps leading to a proposal to the United States for a modification of the Root-Takahira agreement, which impose limitations on the immigration of Japanese laborers to the United States.

While the subject is now being spoken of in a conservative vein, it is said that such a duty is one of those especially imposed upon the new ambassador by his government.

It is also reported that Japan wishes to terminate in 1911 its treaty of commerce and navigation with the United States.

BUSINESS MEN TO TRAVEL THROUGH JAPAN

Invitations Will Shortly Be Issued by Tokio Chamber of Commerce.

Tokio, Dec. 31.—Invitations to 200 American business men to visit Japan and to familiarize themselves with business and social conditions in the Mikado's empire, will be issued shortly by the Tokio chamber of commerce. A general meeting is planned at which the entertainment of the visitors will be discussed.

Owing to the shortage of hotel accommodations here it is planned to quarter the Americans at the private homes in this city. This the Japanese believe, will better acquaint the Americans with Japanese domestic life and customs.

The programme for the entertainment of the visiting business men probably will be similar to that afforded the Japanese honorary commercial commission last recent visit to the United States. Various trade centres of the empire will be visited.

BUILDING ACTIVE.

Calgary Contractors Busy Enlarging Premises of Wholesalers and Retailers.

Calgary, Dec. 31.—There is marked activity in building and construction work in Calgary. Wholesalers are adding stories to their warehouses, and investors are urging contractors to exert every effort to complete new buildings at the earliest possible moment. Wholesalers and retailers alike appear to realize that present premises will not permit of their handling the increased volume of business that will be recorded next year. The Globe Building Company has a large force of men at work completing their concrete tanks, and the contractors are putting the finishing touches on the Calgary Grain Exchange building. Eastern and American visitors, while admitting that their districts will not permit a continuance of building operations to this date, continue to wonder what is the cause of Calgary's ideal winter.

FIREMEN USE DYNAMITE.

Check Flames Which Threaten to Destroy Warehouses at Galveston—Damage Amounts to \$25,000.

Galveston, Texas, Dec. 31.—After destroying 3,000 bales of cotton and causing damage aggregating \$25,000, a fire that threatened to consume many of the warehouses and wharves on the Galveston waterfront was controlled yesterday. Several buildings directly in the path of the flames were blown up with dynamite by the firemen.

The entire fire department of the city was called into service.

STRIKE AVERTED.

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 31.—It was announced yesterday that the differences between the telegraphers employed on the Big Four railroad and the road's officials have been settled, and the proposed telegraphers' strike will not be called. While the terms of settlement were not given out, it is believed the operators gained their point, which was that telephone operators should be represented by the union.

THE GREENROOM

"Father and the Boys."

Wm. H. Crane, who ranks as the foremost comedian on the American stage, comes to the Victoria theatre on Monday evening, January 3rd, in George Ade's clever comedy, "Father and the Boys." Mr. Crane appeared in Victoria three years ago in the all-star cast of "She Stoops to Conquer," in which Ella Jeffries, the noted English actress, played the leading female role. Margaret Dale, who is now Mr. Crane's leading woman, was also a member of that remarkable cast.

Mr. Crane in his long and successful career on the stage, has never had a role better fitted to him than that of "father" in the Ade comedy. For four months the play drew crowded houses at the Empire theatre in New York, and Mr. Crane also had a long run in the comedy in Chicago. This is his first trip to the Pacific coast in the play and it is meeting with the same success here that it did in the east.

Charles Frohman has surrounded Mr. Crane with a most excellent company. Margaret Dale, who originated the part of Bessie Brayton, continues as leading woman. Louis Massen, an actor well known on the coast, has an important role, while Percy Brooke, who has been with Mr. Crane for many seasons, is in the cast. Others whose names are familiar are Forrest Orr, Sidney Blair, John P. Brown, Elsie Payne, Vivian Martin and Mildred Beverly.

New Grand Theatre.

At the Grand theatre this week Gardner and Golder, black-face comedians, have an offering that is both original and funny. It takes first class performers to faithfully portray a burnt cork act. They, however, have good voices and what is more are natural comedians. They keep their audiences in roars of laughter and never fail to please.

J. C. Tremayne and company offer a good little comedy drama in which a newspaper woman finding the keys of a man's rooms, enters them to rob them and cause a sensation. The sensation, however, occurs when she is discovered, and another sensation follows when she extricates herself from the position she is placed in. The man calls the police and then by clever ingenuity the girl makes a dramatic escape. The act is popular and deserves to be so, naturally it is acted.

Frank Markley the clever banjoist, is delighting people all the week with his mastery playing of the banjo. He excels in the grand march from Carmen, and those who have not heard it on the banjo should certainly take the opportunity of hearing Markley.

Maria Fitzgibbon, a pretty and able singer and pianist, enjoys much popularity with her clever songs and imitations. There is always plenty of applause for her at the end of her act. The song this week sung by Mr. Price is "We're Growing Old Together," and the moving pictures are funnier than ever. They evoke roars of laughter. There will be two matinees every Saturday, the first at 2:30 and the second at 8:45.

Romano Theatre.

At the above theatre to-night and tomorrow afternoon and evening will be shown the film, "The Great 100 Horse of Italy." This is claimed to be the most sensational film ever taken as it shows the Italian cavalry in some movements which makes one shudder. The soldiers are seen in many pretty formations, and the jumping of the horses is marvellous. They clear high fences and any obstacles which may be in the way to impede their progress. In clearing some of these the horses are seen to fall, and the way the men escape is wonderful, showing their splendid training. Several other films of high order will also be shown.

Majestic Theatre.

An exceedingly good programme of motion pictures, including two high-class dramas, will be shown at the Majestic theatre to-night and tomorrow afternoon and evening. "Up San Juan Hill," a picture of one of the great battles of the war between the United States and Spain, is to be shown. It is very exciting throughout. The other drama is "The Restoration," which is stated to be as good a one as has been seen in this city. Among the other films is "The Footman," and "The Custodian," both of which are good comedies. The illustrated song, "Any Old Time at All," is a good one and is sung by Miss O. Richards in splendid style.

LAUNCHES SUNK BY ICE.

Number of Sailors Have Narrow Escape While Returning to Their Ships.

New York, Dec. 31.—Three launches belonging to battleships of the North Atlantic fleet, now anchored in the North river, were sunk yesterday while attempting to plough their way through the ice along the river bank to take on board two hundred sailors, who had been forced to remain on shore all night.

The sailors in the launches were rescued from the icy waters after narrow escapes from drowning, while their fellows, shivering on the docks, looked on, unable to lend aid.

MURDER AND SUICIDE.

Deputy Sheriff Kills Woman and Then Ends Own Life.

Peru, Ind., Dec. 31.—A man who registered as "L. B. Lenhart, of Chicago," but who carried letters addressed to Roy McKinney of Indianapolis, killed Miss Dora Chappell, 30 years of age, and committed suicide in the dining room of the Bears hotel. The woman was a waitress who came here recently from Indianapolis. It is said that she left Indianapolis to escape the attentions of McKinney, who was a deputy United States marshal.

TO PUNISH WIFE BEATERS.

Whipping Post Will Be Suggested by Washington Sheriff's Association.

Spokane, Wash., Dec. 31.—Plans by which they will be more successful in rounding up the criminal element, the installation of the whipping post for wife beaters, and other reforms to uphold the peace and dignity of the commonwealth will be discussed by officers and members of the Washington State Sheriff's Association at the annual meeting at North Yakima on January 15th.

The primary purpose of the convention is to bring the county peace officers closer together, with a view to concerted action in riding the state of criminal element and discouraging invasions by others.

LOTS 6 AND 7, BURLEITH, each 50 ft. water frontage, depth varying from about 130 ft. to 170 ft., including the Dunsmuir boathouse landing stage and walled bay. The whole, \$4,500; half cash, rest mortgage; or would exchange for city rent-bearing property of equal value. Ordinary water front lots of this sub-division are said to have been sold as high as \$2,500, and there are no better lots than these in the sub-division. Apply

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INEXPERIENCED MEN KILLED ON RAILWAY

Thirty Deaths in Minneapolis Since Beginning of Switchmen's Strike.

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 31.—Since the beginning of the switchmen's strike that has demoralized freight traffic in the Northwest for nearly a month, thirty men have lost their lives in the various railroad yards affected, according to a report made to the governor. The fatalities for the most part are said to be among inexperienced switchmen, who were working as strike breakers. The accidental deaths averaged almost one each day since the beginning of the strike.

There is little change in the strike situation to-day. The railroad officials declare that so far as they are concerned the strike is over. "Strike" leaders, however, are emphatic in their declarations that they will fight to the end.

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PRETTY HOME WEDDING. LAST EVENING

Mr. J. S. Clarke of Vancouver
Wedded to Miss Dunn of
This City.

A very pretty wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dunn, Cadboro Bay road, last evening when their eldest daughter, Miss Isabel Dunn, was united in marriage to Mr. J. S. Clarke, principal of South Hill school, Vancouver. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Joseph McCoy, of Knox Presbyterian church.

The bride was given away by her father. She was gowned in crepe de chene over white satin and carried a bouquet of roses. Miss Alice Dunn, the bride's sister, was bridesmaid. Mr. Herbert Morrison, Vancouver, was groomsmen. The bride was the recipient of very many handsome gifts. Mr. and Mrs. Clarke left for Seattle on their wedding trip and will take up their home in Vancouver.

HATS FROM FURS.

Big hats, little hats, wide hats, narrow hats, and all of the other adjectives that are in our millinery vocabulary, can be applied to the hats that are fashioned from fur.

There seems to be no fur that has not been formed into a becoming shape; and variety of decoration is the noticeable feature of this season's offerings.

There's the boat-shaped sealskin, for instance. The sides are rolled up close to the crown, and the curved upper edges curve down to form a point in front. Mercury has placed his stamp of approval upon the side in the form of gold wings. They suggest the swiftness with which this shape will gain favor.

A turban of marten is shaped on Oriental lines, fitted snugly to the head. The fur is really a broad crown above it. At the side there perches a bow with butterfly fineness. The brim turns upward at the back to allow a sight of well-dressed hair underneath. The "Cossack turban" is to be seen. Sealskin forms this favorite type. At the front and side wistaria made of silver leaves are tinged with blue, and the combination is as lovely as one can wish.

Napoleon has invaded the millinery world, and his influence has been felt in moulded shapes of the Little Corporal's hat. Again has sealskin been used on the wide brim that turns up at the back, and the large crown. In front a fan of electric blue velvet ribbon gives its touch of color. A simple model is this, and yet there is a dignity of line that is very satisfying. On the round turban of skunk fur a wreath is the only ornamentation. It is formed of narrow gold braid, held in countless loops. This trimming defines the crown, from which a narrow brim falls over the hair.

Fur forms the crown, velvet the facing and tiny wings the ornament on another attractive hat. A round crown is covered with the much-used skunk fur. Velvet, of a seal brown shade is shirred upon the under surface of the hat. Two little brown wings are held at the top of the up-turned brim.

A flat shape of lynx, which should appeal to the sailor girl, has a wide band of gold galloon tied in a stiff bow at the side. This hat is charming in its simplicity, and will not lack admiring followers.

Elegance of fur speaks for the ermine turban. Of a huge size this is, and the clever designer has not detracted from its beauty by over-ornamentation. A butterfly bow of cerise velvet and a facing of the same give just a brilliant touch to the pure white of the fur.

The fur hats have come to stay. In such lovely form are they fashioned, and in so many unsuspected ways does trimming crop out, that women will be able to couple individuality and beauty in their selection.

ABOUT TEAPOTS.

Quite apart from its pleasant associations, the teapot is always interesting, and on no specimen of the art ceramic has the ingenuity of the potter been more exercised. It is interesting to know that the first successful production of Botcher hard porcelain was a teapot. Until the reign of Charles II. tea as a drink was unknown in England, and it is curious to watch the gradual increase in the size of the teapot, from the tiny production of the times of Queen Anne and George I. when tea was sold only in the apothecary's shop, to the days of Dr. Johnson, who is said to have used a teapot holding three quarts. One of the noted people among them, George IV., made collections of teapots for traditional or intrinsic interests. Some of the old Japan teapots (very rare) are so curious, and have two divisions, with separate spouts, for holding black and green tea. The quaint Chinese "pots," holding three quarts, are often seen in antique shops, but certainly one may be forgiven for having doubts as to their usefulness as teapots. —Exchange.

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Social and Personal

S. J. Clark left for Seattle last night.

J. Fletcher is on a business trip to Seattle.

M. T. Bell sailed last night for Vancouver.

Miss Healey is visiting friends in Vancouver.

A. T. Goward is on a business trip to Vancouver.

Miss Martin is spending a few days in Vancouver.

Miss Kay left last night on a visit to Vancouver.

Mr. Justice Irving left for Vancouver last night.

Dr. Munroe went over to the mainland last night.

Capt. McDermott is on a business trip to Vancouver.

Miss Hanna left on a visit to Vancouver last night.

Capt. McKenzie is enjoying a few days in Vancouver.

C. C. McDonald crossed over to the mainland last night.

J. H. Smith was a passenger last night for Vancouver.

Mrs. Hamilton is visiting friends at points on the Sound.

G. Carne was among last night's passengers for Vancouver.

H. E. Beasley went over to Vancouver last night on business.

J. H. Lawson left for Vancouver last night on a business trip.

Miss Gillespie and E. P. Gillespie have left for the Old Land.

Mrs. Hall is spending a number of days in Vancouver visiting friends.

W. J. Mansop, M.P.E., of Vancouver, left last night for the Terminal city.

C. A. Harrison left for the Terminal city last night on the Princess Victoria.

A. B. McNeill left on a business trip to Vancouver last night on the Princess Victoria.

W. J. Bowser, after spending several days in this city, left last night for Vancouver.

H. G. Hall and family left yesterday via the Northern Pacific on a visit to Southern California points.

C. H. Gillis of Vancouver, who has

been in this city, returned to his home in the Terminal city last night.

Mrs. C. M. Watson, who has been visiting friends in this city, left last night on her return trip to Scotland.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Beckensell, of Seattle, who have been spending the Christmas holidays in this city with Mr. and Mrs. Skeers, of Vancouver street, left on Wednesday for the Sound.

Mr. Collis Wood, for four years head man at Weller's and latterly head of Spencer's furniture department, is returning to New York city, having accepted a position with a well-known decorating house. Mr. Wood's many friends here will deeply regret his decision, while his friends over the border are looking forward to his return.

Andrew Gray, president of the Marine Iron Works, Victoria, and Thomas Arnott Ker, of the Brackman-Ker Milling Company, this city, are going to California Sunday to look over the new oil fields of that state. These gentlemen are financially interested in the Canadian Pacific Oil Company of British Columbia, Ltd., a local corporation, Mr. Gray being the vice-president and Mr. Ker one of the directors. Mr. Ker will then sail from San Francisco for Honolulu, thence to Japan and via the Suez to England where an extended stay will be made and a visit to the leading European capitals made. He will return via New York.

GOLD THREAD SUPPLY.

It is reported that the craze for gold in dress trimmings has reached such a height that practically the entire supply of gold thread in Europe has been absorbed, and prices are soaring skyward. The metal vogue has been growing for fully twelve months.

Buyers who do not make provision immediately for spring supplies will be unable to procure desirable merchandise, says the Commercial. It is not so much a case of what to make in gold trimmings, though there are, of course, a few articles which stand out prominently in the present demand. The chief difficulty is securing the gold threads from which the metal effects are made. The threads are all made in Europe, Lyons being the greatest producing centre.

There are only a limited number of people who know how to make these gold threads. The work is slow, consequently it is not possible to increase the supply to any great extent, no matter what the demand may be.

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Among City Churches

ANGELICAN.

St. Barnabas.

Watch Night.—This (Friday) evening there will be a Watch Night service, with address, in St. Barnabas church. The service will commence at 11:30 p. m.

New Year's Service.—To-morrow, New Year's Day, being the Feast of Circumcision, there will be a celebration of the Holy Eucharist at 8 a. m., and a second celebration at 11 a. m. There will also be evensong at 7:30 p. m.

Magazine.—The Parish magazine for January will be issued to the congregation on Sunday next. The magazine will be fully equal to the high standard set by previous numbers and is eagerly looked for by members of the congregation.

Sunday School.—The annual entertainment in connection with the Sunday school held this week was a most successful affair. A very striking feature was the ship, with its port holes and pilot house, which decorated the platform and dispensed good cheer to the audience.

Christ Church Cathedral.

New Year's Service.—The service for to-morrow, January 1st, will be Holy Communion at 7 and 8 p. m. and morning prayer, with address, at 11 a. m. On Sunday evening the carols sung last Sunday will be repeated after the sermon.

St. Mark's, Cloverdale.

Sunday Services.—On Sunday morning next there will be morning prayer and Holy Communion at 11 a. m., and evening prayer, with address, at 7 p. m. The Lord's Supper will be administered at the close of the morning service.

Watch Night.—This (Friday) evening there will be a Watch Night service commencing at 11 p. m. to which all are cordially invited.

REFORMED EPISCOPAL.

Church of Our Lord.

Sunday Services.—Next Sunday morning the rector, Rev. T. W. Gladstone, will preach on the subject, "Jehovah-Tsidkenu, the Lord Our Righteousness"; and in the evening on the motto text which has been given to members of the congregation for the New Year, "Thy Kingdom Come." The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered at the close of the morning service.

Watch Night.—This (Friday) evening there will be a Watch Night service commencing at 11 p. m. to which all are cordially invited.

Week of Prayer.—The usual week night meetings of the church will not be held next week on account of the united meetings to be held under the auspices of the Ministerial association. The congregation of the Church of Our Lord will cordially welcome all members of other congregations to the meetings.

PRESBYTERIAN.

First Church.

New Year's Services.—The service on Sunday next will be of a special nature in accordance with the advent of the New Year. The choir will render special music and Dr. Campbell will preach appropriate sermons.

Club Meeting.—The First Presbyterian club will hold a special meeting on Monday evening next to which all members of the club and the general public are cordially invited.

St. Andrew's.

New Year's Day.—To-morrow there will be a New Year's Day service at 11 a. m. The Rev. A. E. Roberts, of Victoria West, will deliver an address and the service will be of a most interesting nature.

Men's Bible Class.—The members of the Men's Bible class have undertaken the support of two home missionaries, and the members of the congregation will undertake the support of a third. This will be in addition to the regular subscriptions to the Missionary fund. The Men's class, under the leadership of C. C. McNeer, is growing in numbers and interest. Meetings are held every Sunday at 12:15, after the regular morning service.

Church Calendar.—Commencing to-morrow a Church calendar will be published each week for distribution among the congregation. It is hoped by this means to increase the interest in and beauty of the services in the church.

Young People's Society.—The members of the Young People's Society will meet as usual on Monday evening next and then adjourn to unite in the Week of Prayer meetings to be held in the Church of Our Lord on Humboldt St.

St. Paul's.

Victoria West.

New Year's Services.—On Sunday next the services will be appropriate to the advent of the New Year. The pastor, Rev. P. MacRae, will preach both morning and evening.

United Prayer Service.—On Thursday evening next the regular prayer service will be withdrawn to allow the congregation to take part in the United Prayer service in the Victoria West Methodist church. The Rev. Jos. McCoy will deliver the address.

METHODIST.

Metropolitan.

Christmas Song Service.—There was a crowded church last Sunday evening for the Christmas song service rendered by the choir and the splendid programme of music was most heartily enjoyed.

Spring Ridge Entertainment.—The annual Sunday school entertainment at Spring Ridge was most successful. The members of the school rendered an elevating and instructive cantata called, "Christmas Messengers" and acquitted themselves most creditably. There was a large attendance and the presents for the scholars and friends were numerous.

Metropolitan Sunday School.—The annual entertainment of the Metropolitan Sunday School was held last Wednesday evening and was most successful. The orchestra and Toy Symphony Band gave several selections and songs were sung by Mrs. Jesse Longfield, Mrs. Fred Parsons and Mr. Melville. Members of the school and others also gave songs, recitations etc. On Thursday afternoon the Primary class and Cradle Roll members had their usual Christmas treat and enjoyed themselves in royal fashion.

Watch Night.—This evening there

will be a watch night service commencing at 11 p. m.

Choir Concert.—On Monday evening next the choir will give the first of a series of sacred concerts in the church. Careful preparation has been made under the efficient leadership of J. M. Morgan, and the concert will be of a very high order. The proceeds will be devoted to the new organ fund. The programme will commence at 8 p. m.

Sunday Service.—There will be a special service on Sunday evening. The choir gallery will be filled with a choir of sixty men and the regular hymn book will be disposed with popular gospel hymns will be used and the service will be of a very attractive nature. The pastor will preach a sermon to young men. After the service the Men's Club will conduct a social half hour. The service will commence as usual at 7:30 p. m. but for twenty minutes previous to that of the organist, E. Parsons, will give one of his popular organ recitals. It is hoped to make the service of special interest and helpfulness to men.

CENTENNIAL.

Sunday Services.—The services on Sunday next will be appropriate to the New Year. The pastor, Rev. A. Henderson, will preach both morning and evening.

Men's Bible Class.—A little over twelve months ago the Men's Bible class was organized in Centennial church with 22 charter members. Since then the officers and members have worked for extension and to get men interested in the study of God's word. The result is very encouraging as there are now sixty names on the roll and there have been six lost to the class, five by removal from the city and one by death. The average attendance is now 47, and last Sunday no less than 54 were present. The motto of the class is progression, and co-operation and they expect to live up to it in the coming year by doubling their membership and proving themselves a force in civic problems. The annual banquet will be held in the near future.

Victoria West.

Sunday Service.—On Sunday morning the pastor, Rev. A. E. Roberts, will commence a series of studies of the book of Matthew, from which the Sunday school lessons of 1910 will be drawn. It is hoped to make the morning study complementary to the school lesson.

Song Service.—The song service given last Sunday evening by the choir, under the leadership of A. J. Daniels, was greatly enjoyed by all and many expressions of praise were given to members of the choir.

Prayer Service.—There will be a united prayer service in the Victoria West Methodist church next Thursday evening, when the Presbyterian and Methodist congregations will meet together for prayer and praise. An address will be given by the Rev. Jos. McCoy, president of the Ministerial association. The public are cordially invited to be present.

James Bay.

Successful Entertainment.—The annual entertainment of the Sunday school held last Wednesday was most successful. There was a large attendance and the programme was an excellent one.

"At Home" and Watchnight.—This evening, the Bible classes will be "At Home" to members of the congregation and friends and the Watch Night service will follow the conclusion of the programme. It is expected that there will be a large attendance.

Missionary Service.—The Missionary rally held in connection with the Sunday school, last Sunday afternoon was most successful. There was a good attendance, every department of the school being represented and the addresses given by Rev. A. J. Brace and Rev. A. N. Miller were greatly enjoyed.

BAPTIST.

First Church.

Sunday Services.—The splendid musical services of last Sunday will be repeated by request. The anthems, solos etc., rendered by the choir added much to the interest of the services and the congregation will be delighted to hear the music again.

Pastor's Farewell.—The Rev. H. C. Speller, who has been so acceptably filling the pulpit during the absence of Rev. G. Burnett, expects to return to "Moose Jaw" in the near future and it is probable that to-morrow will be the last Sunday with the congregation. He will carry with him many expressions of appreciation for the splendid service he has rendered the church during the few months of his stay in the city.

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The West Sussex Education committee have decided that no married woman teacher shall be appointed in future to any school within their administrative area. Many towns are going further than this. At Leeds it has been resolved that for the future the marriage of a woman teacher shall of itself terminate her employment, while those still in the service of the council have been ordered to give six months' notice of expected absence. Such notice will be held to be equivalent to resignation.

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HOUSE of 1 1/2 story, large lot, close to tram car; \$1,300.

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SPLendid BUSINESS SITE on Courtney street, near Government street, for \$11,750.00.

\$20,000.00 WILL BUY a desirable lot on Yates street, between Blanchard and Douglas streets.

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THIRTEEN LOTS near the Jubilee hospital, 60x120 each; all sub-divided into lots. This is a good buy at \$5,000.00.

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News of the Province

CANADIAN PACIFIC

EXPLORATION WORK

Company is Now Clearing Land in the Kootenays for Settlers.

Creston, Dec. 30.—E. Mallandaine, chief timber ranger and district land agent in the Kootenays for the Canadian Pacific railway, has been granted a two months' leave of absence by the railway company to enable him to take a well earned holiday.

Mr. Mallandaine has charge of all the exploration of the Canadian Pacific lands in British Columbia, amounting to over 3,000,000 acres, principally in East and West Kootenay. This is probably the largest exploration of land ever undertaken in British Columbia.

The result of this exploration is that the company will know just what they have in the way of timber, agricultural lands and other lands. The exploration necessitated the employment of ten distinct parties, which were scattered in various localities under the direct supervision of Mr. Mallandaine.

Hundreds of miles of new trail have been cut through that will be not only a benefit to the company, but to the government and the prospectors and others making their living out of the hills. All the streams in this vast area have been measured and their courses correctly plotted, and the altitude of all high mountains were also taken. The work that has been done will be of great benefit to tourists also who may be in search of Alpine scenery, or a sporting locality.

The railway company also has in view the idea of clearing large areas of land for settlers. It has been learned on good authority that the company already has made a start on clearing land at Jaffray, where they have a number of men at work clearing a block of 100 acres under the supervision of Mr. Mallandaine. It is expected that the company from now on will make a practice of clearing all its land preparatory to offering it for sale. In addition to his office of district land agent and chief timber ranger for the Canadian Pacific, Mr. Mallandaine has filled the office of chief fire warden for the Canadian Pacific and has had the personal supervision of dozens of fire wardens throughout the Kootenays.

COAL AND WOOD LAWS

PASS IN VANCOUVER

Delivery Men Will Have Produce Ticket Showing Weight.

Vancouver, Dec. 30.—At the last meeting of the council the coal and wood by-laws were finally passed. In the future the delivery men will have to present tickets with each load showing the weight of coal or amount of wood, and in cases where they are taking quantities to several places on the same trip, it will be necessary for them to carry scales along in the rig. The charge for weighing or measuring was placed at ten cents. Weighing scales are to be placed at various points in the city, and an inspector is to be appointed.

Ald. MacMillan announced when the coal by-law was being considered that it had been stated that the dealers were prepared to raise the price 1 per cent if the by-law passed. If that were done he would favor the city entering the business, he said.

The trade by-law amendment raising the annual fee for employment agents from \$35 to \$250 was also passed. The proposed building amendment by-law, allowing the erection of a heavy stable in Grandview next to the street line, was killed.

On the motion of Ald. Crowe and MacMillan, it was decided to hold a plebiscite on the disposition of the False Creek lands at the January elections.

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PROVINCIAL SILVER

FOR OTTAWA MINT

Increasing Amount is Going East for Coinage.

Nelson, Dec. 30.—The returns from the Consolidated Mining & Smelting company's smelter at Trail for the coming year will constitute a record in production for that institution. This is assured by the figures for November which total \$24,000, bringing the aggregate for the 11 months up to \$5,458,447, which is only about \$200,000 below the largest year's production up to the present. When the returns for December are added the total for the year will be several hundred thousand dollars greater than any similar period since the smelter commenced operations.

Of the November production 47 per cent was gold, 15 per cent silver, 6 per cent copper and 22 per cent lead. During the month 43,000 tons of ore were received at the smelter and 37,000 tons treated. An interesting feature in connection with the company's operations is the increasing amount of its silver which is going to Ottawa to be minted into Canadian money. On Oct. 11 there was shipped from the smelter to the mint at Ottawa 200,000 ounces of silver and on Dec. 11th another 120,000 ounces was sent forward, the total value of these two shipments being \$154,957.50.

SILVER WEDDINGS

AT BURNABY

Two Celebrated the Same Day by Friends and Neighbors.

New Westminster, Dec. 30.—Two silver weddings were celebrated at Burnaby the other day, the celebrants being Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Walker and Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Hill, all of them old residents of this district.

The celebrations took place at the residence of the respective couples, a large number of friends and relatives being present at both. At each of the residences there were banquets and congratulations and felicitations of all kinds were the order of the day.

Although the two celebrations were quite separate and distinct affairs, the fact that they should both fall upon the same date was too great a coincidence to pass unnoticed by the two bridegrooms of twenty-five years' standing. Owing to the fact that they had their own celebrations on hand Mr. and Mrs. Walker and Mr. and Mrs. Hill were unable to be present at each other's residence to offer congratulations in person, so they compromised by rendering their felicitations over the phone.

At his residence Mr. Walker first made a little speech of congratulation to Mr. Hill which was transmitted over the phone by a third party to Mr. Hill, and then Mr. Hill returned the compliment making a short address to his own guests congratulating Mr. Walker on his happy anniversary which in turn was transmitted to Mr. Walker.

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